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FROM FAR OFF AFRICA

BISHOP C. S. SMITH ADDRESSES NATIVES AT CAPETOWN

HINTS THAT BRING OUT MUCH

A Side Light Shows The Actual Conditions.—American Negroes Not Wanted.—Fear They Know Too Much Of Government And The Rights Of Man.

I now take occasion to repeat what I said when I first spoke from this rostrum: That the colored people of America cannot fight your battles; they cannot furnish you your leaders. All that the Church, of which I am a humble, and perhaps unworthy representative, can do for you is to give you such advice, encouragement and moral support as occasion may require; and such as is consistent with that growing international comity—now such a patent fact—between the two great English speaking peoples—Great Britain and America. Moreover, such as is in harmony with that ever increasing interdenominational comity and fraternal spirit that now most happily characterizes the present movements of the present religious bodies throughout christendom.

Whatever problems now exist, or that may hereafter arise, affecting the interests of the native races in South Africa are British problems and not American. I want to dispel a delusion that I find exists in the minds of some of our adherents in these regions that, their connection with the African Methodist Episcopal Church will insure them help from America in case they should get in trouble. There is not the least semblance of union between State and Church in America. Each moves in its own sphere absolutely independent of the other. It would therefore be futil to appeal to America for aid in case you should be confronted with difficulties not involving the personal liberty or property rights of American citizens. There is an American counsul here, and a very worthy one too, I understand, but he is not here to advise or manage the affairs of British subjects. His duties begin and end with American citizens.

As to your leaders, they must spring from among yourselves, and remember that leaders with high ideals are not the product of a day or of a single generation. Select some of your most worthy sons, possessing the widest intellectual apitude and send them to the best universities of the United Kingdom, and keep them there until their minds shall have become infiltrated with the best literature, and the ripest thought of this and past ages.

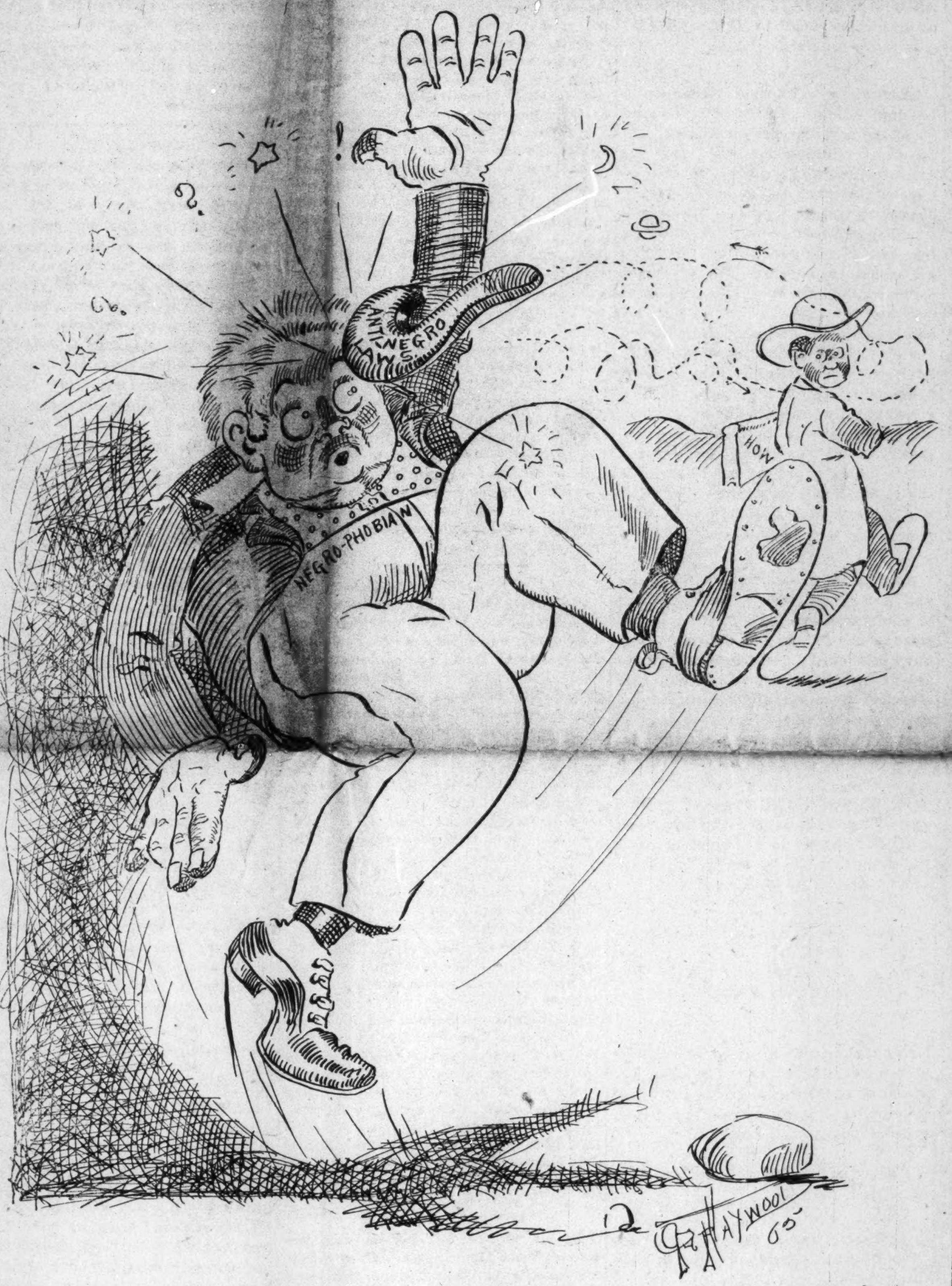
Your present environment, condition and opportunity may not be all that you desire or all that you deserve. The permanent status of the natives in the Crown Colonies is yet undecided. To bring the native races up to the appreciation of steady and profitable industry in the field, mine and factory—in fact along all the economic highways of civilized being—should be regarded by all as a primary essential. I find that there is much room and need for the preaching of the gospel of work in these regions, and the preaching of it should not be altogether confined to the natives either. At the very birth of humanity it was ordained that man should earn his bread by the sweat of his brow. As a means to the desired end, first let the native be taught how to work instead of being cursed for failing to do that which he has never through all his past existence been taught how to do. Beside every mission house—in fact as an indispensable auxiliary thereto—I would plant an industrial school. With every copy of the Bible distributed among the natives I would send an agricultural implement or a mechanical tool. The missionary of today should know how to teach the hand to work as well as the mind to think and the heart to love. The teaching of industrial pursuits should be a mandatory requirement in all native schools supported either whole or in part by Government grants.

In all your aspirations and struggles for better environment and larger opportunity, remember that time must do its perfect work. To repeat myself, you may not be altogether satisfied with existing conditions. This one thing, however, I know—a fact in the statement of which I am happily supported by the truths of history—and that is, that the British people have shown greater tact and aptitude, and been more successful in the control and guidance of the darker races, than any other nation. You are therefore justified in cherishing a strong hope for your betterment in the future.

While thus far England holds the palm for the successful control of the darker races, I do not yield her that pre-eminence when it comes to the control of a single fragment of one the darker races such as the people of African descent in America. Nowhere on the face of the earth are there to be found ten millions of Africans, or the descendants of Africa, so far advanced in civilization; so well fed, housed and clothed; and so strongly equipped with industrial, religious, moral, intellectual, scientific, political and economical acumen and energy, as the ten millions of the descendants of Africa in America. Every bank note and bond at present issued by the United States government must bear the signature of a colored man—Judson Lyons—an ex slave, a native of the state of Georgia and now the Register of the United States Treasury. With the single exception of Egypt, as in the case of Joseph of Old Testament history, no nation in all the annals of time has raised an ex-slave from among an alien people to such a high and responsible position as has America in respect to Mr. Lyons. While at all times I am prepared to bow with great deference to the Union Jack, in this particular instance I must bow with greater deference to the Stars and Stripes. All praise to President Roosevelt, the oposit of an Open Door of Opportunity for every man of every race and of every clime. American slavery was the greatest industrial school the world has ever known, and, despite itself, out of it, and from it, has developed and ripened the richest fruitage yet produced, by the African stock.

It is this unparalled advancement that makes the American Negro such an object of dread and suspicion in South Africa, and so unwelcome thereto. There is great fear lest he might instil into the minds of the natives the love of liberty and independence so characteristic of a Republican form of government. The American Negro, whether as missionary, teacher or trader, will find South Africa a most hostile region. Present conditions do not point to the successful operations of any American Negro Church, conditions that will continue to exist until the success or failure is demonstrated of the present fixed purpose of Europeanize South Africa, and make it the permanent home of the white man.

BISHOP C. S. SMITH.



The Return of the Boomerang.

SENSE VS. NONSENSE.

"John Wanamaker invites the reprobation of the South by entering a public dining room with Booker Washington and breaking bread with him. There continue to be people who are willing to sit at table with gentlemen, whatever their color. Everybody understands that the South dosen't think it the proper thing to invite Negroes to dinner and nearly everybody has no particular fault to find about it. You don't have to eat with a Negro, or a Chinaman, or an Indian unless you want to; but if any particular Negro, or Chinaman, or Indian, happens to be thoroughly familiar with the use to which each particular knife, fork and spoon is to be put, he might make a more acceptable guest than some white people. For that reason, if Mr. Wanamaker insists on choosing his own guests, it would seem to be his own business."—Portland Orgonian.

FORTY YEARS A FREEMAN

After visiting all the near-by cities and towns for the benefit of Freeman readers, the Freeman representatives Mr. and Mrs. George H. Jones will start on their tour of the Western States. The object of these articles under this head is to show the readers of this paper just what the colored people are doing and have accomplished since the war. I suppose, readers, you will want to know how the city of Burlington looks, so I will try to tell you something about it. We sailed from Muscatine, Ia., on the evening of July 31st and got a beautiful view of the city of Burlington, about 9 o'clock August 1st. As we approached the city my wife stood amazed enjoying, probably, the most beautiful scene on the Mississippi river, a cute little island covered with flowers and green foliage, wet with dew, and kissed by the bright morning sun light, seemed to raise its little head out of the water and say good morning travelers as we moved slowly down toward the city. Burlington is built on the west bank of the Mississipi about 207 miles, by rail, South and Southwest of Chicago. From the river the city forms a natural ampitheater. The houses are built on limestone bluffs which slope backward from the river to what looks like parks and groves at the tops of the hills. The city carries on a large commerce and there are a number of founderies, breweries, soap works packing houses, furniture factories, flour mills and saw mills. The city is a great railway center, and possesses among its educational institutions, Business Colleges, High Schools, etc. The city has a mixed population of about 30,000, about 900 of which are colored.

The colored business men of Burlington, is the next article under this head.

Present address: GEORGE H. JONES, 100 N. Main street, Burlington, Ia.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The regular Sunday 3:30 p. m. meeting will start again September 10. All are welcome. The Bible class will meet for organization Wednesday, September 13, at 8 o'clock. Come. A big meeting will be held for boys from 12 to 16 years old at the rooms, September 11 at 7:30 p. m. All the boys in the city are welcome. The literary society will reopen soon. The ball team defeated the I. C's Monday, score 11 to 7. A game will be played September 11, for the benefit of the Fresh Air Mission. A large crowd should be present. Come.

DENOUNCE TEXAS BAPTISTS

ASSOCIATION CONDEMNED FOR UPHOLDING BURNING AT STAKE

THE LAW VERSUS BARBARISM

Ohio Methodist Take Baptist Preachers To Task For Upholding And Denouncing Booker T. Washington. Lower Themselves In The Eyes Of Decent People.

Springfield, O.—The Ohio District Conference which is a part of the Lexington, Kentucky Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, now in session in the new Wiley M. E. Church in this city at its session Saturday morning took cognizance of the action of the Negro Baptist assembled in covention at Dallas, Texas, who are reported to have sanctioned burning at the stake as proper punishment for assaults and by a rising vote they adopted resolutions condeming the action of the Texas convention. Reply is also made in the resolution to their denunciation of Booker T. Washington.

The resolutions as passed by the local body of colored Methodist is as follows:

"Whereas,—We have read the dispatches reporting the action of the state convention of Negro Baptist, assembled in Dallas, Texas, Aug. 25th, setting forth their action. If correctly reported, the said association has placed itself on record as indorsing mob violence in its most heinous character, commending the damnable and unlawful burning of Tom Williams at the stake at Sulphur Springs, Texas. The association also making the statement that there is not a law-abiding Negro in the country but was heart and soul in favor of the act. And, stating further, that every member of this association also denounced Booker T. Washington, declaring he is doing unmeasurable harm to the Negro race.

Resolved,—By the Ohio District Conference of the M. E. church assembled in Springfield, Ohio, this 26th day of August, representing a congressional membership in the state of Ohio of more than 16,000 Negroes, do most emphatically and positively declare that the sentiments expressed by the Texas Association are gross misrepresentation of the sentiments of the law-abiding Negroes of this country. While we most strongly denounce all violations of law, yet we are equally as strong in our opinion that its majesty should be upheld and the punishment meted out to all such violators by due process of law. We do not condone crimes of any kind whether committed by black or white. And the particularly hellish crime of outraging women should in our opinion be followed by the most severe punishment, swiftly meted out by due process of law.

"While this crime is barbarous, the stake is far more barbarous and inhuman. We cannot conceive how an assemblage of christian ministers could by any method of reasoning imaginable put themselves on record as favoring the taking of human life, contrary to the laws of God, and of man, thereby lowering themselves to the head of these inhuman wretches and monsters. We would reiterate that the law-abiding Negroes do not favor but denounce mob violence in any of its phases under any circumstances and we do most strongly condemn the action of this association in thus placing the Negro ministry in a compromising, false and disgraceful light before the country. The members of this association also showed their ignorance in their denunciation of Booker T. Washington, whom we deem, one of the wisest, and most tactful leaders of our race, as well as one of the ablest and most influential citizen in the United States.

"Unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

"Signed.

E. L. Gilliam,
T. L. Wilson,
W. C. Stovall
Committee.

MASONS TO PICNIC

Anderson, Ind., Special.—The Masonic Lodges will give a grand picnic in this city, Thursday, September 7, under the auspices of Peerless Lodge, No 33. Addresses will be made by Grand Master, D. W. Cain, of Seymour, and H. A. Rogan, Grand Eminent Commander of Indianapolis. Special rates have been secured over the lines of the Union Traction Company.

In Woman's ---World

BY "DOROTHY."

This column will be devoted to the interests of women. Questions will be cheerfully answered. In order to insure a reply it is necessary to give a pseudonym under which the querist may be answered. The full name and address must also be given This will not, under any circumstances, be published. No answer will be sent by mail unless a stamped envelope is received at this office. Address all communications to Woman's Corner, The Freeman, Indianapils, Ind.

HAVE COURAGE.

When your life seems dark and dreary.
And your friends of you seem weary,
When no longer you can feel the mellow sunshine on your way;
Don't give up but keep on trying,
Dry your eyes and cease your crying;
Just remember after nightfall there will dawn another day.

When there's no one near to cheer you,
When you weep no one to hear you,
When in doubt no one to guide you safely on your troubled way,
Don't lose courage in your sorrow,
There'll be sunshine on the morrow;
Just remember, after nightfall there will dawn another day.

—CHARLES A. JONES.

CURE FOR CONSUMPTION.

In a circular letter sent to all the prominent physicians of New York under the seal of professional secrecy, the announcement is made by the New York Post Graduate Hospital of the discovery of a vegetable fluid which has been accepted as a positive cure for consumption. Most of the vegetables in the market enter into the composition of the fluid The circular to the profession thus describes the method of preparing it:

"Equal parts by weight of raw vegetables scrubbed with a brush in fresh water, then mixed and chopped until the particles are small enough to go into the receiver of a grinding machine, where the mass is reduced to a pulp from the pulp are collected the juices, which are squeezed out through coarse muslin cloth The machines are designed to tear and grind the mass rather than to cut it up

"The vegetables first used are potato, onion, beet, turnip, cabbage and celery. Later are added sweet potato, apple, pine-apple, carrot, parsnip and later still rhubarb, summer squash, tomato, spinach, radishes, string beans, and green peas with the pods,"

The juice is prepared every day at the hospital and kept on ice. Each patient receives two ounces twice a day after meals, The results of many months of exhaustive and costly experiment show complete cures in every instance. Eleven patients who, on beginning the treatment, were sufferers from the disease, have been discharged as fit subjects for a life insurance risk, and fifty others still under observation at the hospital are on the high road to recovery.

The discovery is this· That the compound of raw vegetable juices is the long sought for element of diet needed to cure obstinate cases, where lesions of the lungs have persisted after the ravages of the disease have been checked apparently and the general health of the body restored as testified by an increase in weight. The use of the new compound has overcome this difficulty to the complete satisfaction of a disinterested board of doctors. It is believed, moreover, that this may lead to means by which everybody may be rendered immune from the deadly tubercle bacilli, just as vaccination safeguards from small-pox It is expected that the post graduate hospital will advocate that the fluid eventually be bottled and sold in drug stores at soda water fountains.

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Lady Henry Somerset writes from London, Eng. "Everybody is mad about the new exercise for women, the physical training learned from the Japanese, called jiu jtsu. I was interested the other day to hear a woman discussing it with a man He was a strong, well-built youth of over six feet, and she claimed that by one turn she could throw him. He, of course demurred, and she volunteered to demonstrate. In a moment he was lying on his back. It was not, of course, a test of strength, but rather one of skill I felt that every woman ought to learn to defend herself if necessary. It is a grand physical exercise and is now being systematically taught in London It is far more fascinating than fencing and certainly of greater use. Moreover the most delicate pupil can learn, but it requires constant practice to be able to arrive at any proficiency"

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At Peru, Ind., Mrs. Harry H. Young and her Presbyterian Sunday school of young women have a novel plan to raise money for the new church. They have published a cook book containing several hundred receipts, to which are attached the names of the contributors. Eyery person whose name is in the book is buying one of them and hundreds will be sold at a very low price

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The Empress of Germany's private wedding present to her relation always consists of a very plain traveling clock for she values chiefly among all other virtues that of punctuality.

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There is not a cradle or baby carriage in Markboro, N.Y. This is a town of 500 inhabitants and the birth of a baby has not been reported for five years.

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Will your widow dress as well as your wife does?" is one of the advertisements of an insurance company. That depends upon what success she has in selecting the second husband,

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Failure in life often comes from lack of staying qualities.

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A Pennsylvania groom gave his bride his thirty-first house as a wedding present.

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A Columbia City, Ind., woman is making a handsome income, raising pigeons for breeding and selling purposes:

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Health of body is first of all the greatest inheritance that can be left to those we love. No one can find full happiness without it, and if one is afflicted with ill-health through no cause of one's parents it is a misfortune that must be endured Next to the gift of good health is the education and discipline which will teach one how to care for it. Every child should be brought up with a sensible, intelligent knowledge of the needs and necessities of the human machine placed in his keeping.—A. S. Atkinson, M. D.

ONE BOTTLE DOES IT.

If your hair is curly or kinky, one bottle of Ford's Original Ozonized Ox Marrow will make it straight, soft and easy to comb so that you can put it up in any style. Read the following letter we received March 31. 1905, from Rhoda Edwards, Calvert, Texas:

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NEW ALBANY, IND.

Dr. S. C. Alexander is in Indianapolis for a week or ten days.—Miss Rowena Dorsey has returned from a visit to relatives in Henderson, Ky.—The rally at Jones Chapel netted \$100, Mrs. Lillian Sterrett Johnson led the "captains" in the amount of money collected.—Miss Julia A. Brown in company with Mr. Leonard Harris was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Thompson. Rev. George C. Clement, editor of the Star of Zion, Charlotte, N. C. preached to a large audience at Jones Chapel A. M. E. Zion Church Sunday night—Mrs. Bessie Bradshaw is visiting in Owensboro, Ky.—At the Woman's Convention held at Broadway Zion Church, Louisville, Mrs. S. C. Manuel and Mrs. Grace Lucas Thompson appeared on the program—Mr. and Mrs. J. S Cheatham formerly of Henderson, Ky., have taken up their residence in our city.—Mr. Henry Sterrett attended the session of the Masonic Grand Lodge in Crawfordsville. Mrs M. E. Washington announces the engagement of her foster-daughter. Miss May Grundy. The wedding will take place August 30th.

CINCINNATI. OHIO.

Miss Belle Smith is home again after an enjoyable visit to relatives in Kentucky—W. J. Langston solicits the patronage of all visiting Cincinnati who need tailoring done. His place of business is 524 Smith street near Sixth.—Mrs. Lillie Daniels will visit Indianapolis in the near future to be with relatives and friends.—Prof. Chas. Singer is a very fine teacher of piano, violin and mandloin.—Miss Lena David the daughter of Mrs. Nettie Barnes of Walnut Hills, teaches a five month's school in Kentucky. It began in July.—Mrs. Farguson and daughter are attending the fair at Ripley, Ohio, stopping with relatives.—Mrs. Nettie Barnes, ex-teacher and now a very fashionable dressmaker, will spend her two weeks' vacation with her daughter, Miss Lena in Kentucky.—The Cincinnati Colored K. of P's. left on Sunday, Aug. 20th for Pittsburg, Pa. to attend the Supreme Lodge meeting. There were quite a number of their friends who joined in the trip.—Miss Beatrice Cox is visiting in Detroit, Mich. with the Misses McMechen, of Wheeling, W. Va.—On the program at the unveiling of the organ at Zion Baptist Church we forgot to mention a feature that all persons of the race should know. The chorus "Princess Awake" was written by the Negro composer, Prof. Roxborough and led by Miss Anna DeAcklen. leading soprano of the American Jubilee Singers. She is a native of Nashville, Tenn. and was the first to lead the chorus when finished for publication by the author.—Mr. Ed. Girdlan will be at home Aug. 28th for rehearsals with the American Jubilee Singers for their fall work.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

Miss Beatrice Taylor who has been making her home with Mr. and Mrs. Chas Berry of this city, left Sunday for St. Louis, Mo. where she will reside in the future,—Mr. H. T. Boman, editor of the Springfield State Capitol was in the city this week on business.—Mr. L. G. Steward's article on military education in last week's issue of the Freeman was well received by its readers in this city.—The Illinois State Federation of the Colored Woman's Club which met in Quincy, Ill. last week was well represented from this city. Mrs. C. H. Freeman and Mrs. E. D. Hayden represented the Ladies' Art Club, Mrs. John McCill the Phyles Wheatly Club and Mrs. William Laffayette represented the Colored Woman's Club the Art Club number one. Mrs. A. H. Kenniebrew of this city was elected president ot the Federation.—Mr. William Laffayette our well-known fireman will start on his annual two weeks' vacation, Thursday. Most of the time will be spent at Makinaw, Mich—Mrs. John McCill is visiting friends in Hannibal, Mo. this week.—Mr. Ed. Coffman has the record of being the champion piano mover in this part of the state.—Mr. George Carr our popular young hamberger man is thinking of making an addition to his stand since his business is increasing so rapidly. George has an up to date place and should receive our patronage.

HOUSTON, TEX.

Ed Alexander of 515 Andrew street, returned home Monday from a short visit to his parents in West Texas.—Mrs. Jessie Hood left last Wednesday for the coast where she will spend the remainder of the summer.—J. M. Bevley, United States Inspector of Galveston, is spending his vacation in the Magnolia City with relatives.—Frank Station of Chicago, is again in our city shaking hands with old friends.—When yo want news, and good fresh news, see A. Edwards at 509 San Phillip street and get a copy of The Freeman—Mrs. Dr. B. F, Barlow returned home last Friday from a two weeks' visit in Austin.—F. I. Richardson has been indisposed for several days.—Ben Cahoun who spent last week in North Texas, is back at his post again.—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Davis in Shepherd street, entertained a number of friends last week at a birthday party given in complimentary honor of Miss Iantha Dorn of Luling, Tex—The funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Martha Ann Chambers, whose death occurred Monday at the home of the deceased, 1633 Grayson street, were held Tuesday afternoon at Trinity M. E. Church, Rev. W. H. Logan officiating with interment at Olivewood cemetery. She was 59 years of age and is survived by one daughter and two sons.—The Grand United Order of Brothers and Sisters of Love and Charity, convened in this city last week in its fifth annual session, twelve Tabernacles and five Juveniles representing a total membership of 603 persons.

COLUMBUS, OHIO.

The Baptist Association began a week's session in this city last Monday a week, with a large attendance from different parts of the state and country The meetings were very interesting.—William H. Litchford last week purchased the Gem Barbershop said to be the finest colored barbershop in the country He paid cash for it, and the price is said to have been more than sufficient to buy all the colored barber shops in Ohio. The Gem has always done a great business. R. W. Tyler, the well-known newspaper man, who owned it, could not give it his attention, and as he contemplates going west next week, he decided to dispose of it. Litchford, who is regarded as one of the wealthiest colored men in Ohio, will at once enlarge it, and make it not only the finest colored shop, but equal to any white shop. Mr. Litchford's success, during the past few years, from a financial point, has been phenominal, due to wise business methods. The Gem Barbershop, with its free reading room, has been recognized as the headquarters for colored men throughout Ohio.—Samuel Clark, proprietor of the Ivanhoe. has gone into the horse business, and is buying and selling horses, doing a thriving business His latest purchase was a stallion that is considered the fastest in Ohio, a second Croesus, and for which Clark has been offered a big price—Mrs. Charles A Cottrill, whose husband is first deputy county recorder at Toledo, is visiting her parents here, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Clark, of Ohio avenue—Miss Eva Bowles, daughter of Mr and Mrs. J. H. Bowles, the well-known postal clerk, has accepted a position as teacher at Lawrenceville, Va.—The colored people in Columbus own over half a million dollars worth of real estate. The per capita wealth of the colored people of Columbus is said to be greater than that of any colored community in the United States

JOLIET, ILL.

Master Jack and Miss Rebecca Dishman have returned home, after a pleasant three weeks' stay at Morris, Ill Miss Ida Barton spent her vacation at Peoria with her grand-mother.—Miss Jessie Foster has returned from Chicago accompanied by Miss Willie Young and and Mrs Greenley, guests of Mrs Dishman.—C. D. Jones, engraver of Chicago is in the city. Mr. Jones has done good work here and deserves your patronage. Mrs. McCloud and daughters have returned to their home at Chicago. They were guests of Mrs. Dishman.—Miss Penelope Ragland and Nathaniel Gregory were quietly married in Indiana recently.—Miss Mary Mitchell and Mr, Ed. Kelly were paid a visit by the matrimonial bee—Mrs. Clark, of Dekalb and Mrs Fannie Wilson of Chicago were pleasant visitors in our city. Mrs. Wilson is a sister of E. C. Dishman and formerly lived in this city.—George Mosely departed this life August 18, after an illness of about six months. He had been a citizen of this place for five or six years and leaves a host of friends.—The Freeman is on sale every Saturday at 205 St. Louis street. Miss C. M. L. Dishman is willing to accommodate everybody. Read Negro literature.

MINNEAPOLIS MINN.

The places of amusement, Lake Harriet, Conno, Wonderland and Minnehaha Falls have been well patronized by the young people this season.—Henry Harris has returned from an extended trip in the east and south. While in the south he visited many cities of his boyhood. He also found his mother enjoying the best of health—Mrs. C. W. Dwyer, the wife of our popular headwaiter of the Commercial Club is on an extended trip She spent one week at Euclair, Wis, and then to Chicago, from there she and her little daughter will attend the Exposition at Portland, Ore—E. J. Westlake, the genial manager of the Minneapolis Commercial Club has gone east on a hunting trip—Mr. Westlake, who has had charge of the dining cars, Haletc and Clubs for the past twenty years, has always carried a colored crew. He is an admirer of The Freeman and has subscribed for a year. Mr. Westlake has promised to write an article for this paper on "The Colored Boys As Waiters."

ROCKFORD, ILL.

The death of George Bratton occurred August, 18 due to a third stroke of paralysis. He was born in Kentucky about 66 years ago, and came to Rockford in 1865. Mr. Bratton was a charter member of the Old Lincoln Mission Sunday school, organized for colored people in 1867 and also a member of the First Congregational church for about twenty years. His wife survives him.—The National Order of Foresters was organized with headquarters in this city, August 18, with about sixty members and the following officers: William Etheridge, president; Aaron Ferguson, vice president; Edward Gee, financial secretary: Alice Vedder recording secretary; William R. Donley, treasurer; Rev. Stewart B. Moore; William Christopher, James Diamond and Boston Powell, directors; Bert Tucker, sergeant; Reuben Boyd, inner guard; Arthur Blakeley, outer guard.

ALBANY GA.

The basket feast given by the C. M. E. church was a success and well attended—Mrs. R. E. Grier is visiting in Atlanta—Are the leaders of the ring as successful as they anticipated in this part of the state? Why?—Vacation is nearing an end, and in a short time the school will be open and invite you to become a constant visitor and pupil Samuel Scrivens is now employed at Henderson's tonsorial parlor—Dr. M. O. Lee, was among the delegation to the National Business League—Wanted four hundred more subscribers for The Freeman at 5 cents per copy delivered everywhere in the city. Subscribe now W. H. Phipps, agent.

FIRST NEGRO OF FAME FOR LITERARY ABILITY

EFFECT OF IGNATIUS SANCHO'S LETTRES ON SLAVERY.

PUBLISHED AFTER HIS DEATH

The great advance made by the Negro race in this country in literary composition in the last quarter of a century, while in the enjoyment of freedom, is in strong contrast with the literary efforts, few and feeble, that distinguished the race in preceding centuries.

First, perhaps, in the list of African Negroes to attain any worthy literary celebrity was Ignatius Sancho, who was born in 1729 on board a slaveship a few days after leaving the coast of Guianea for the Spanish-American colonies At Carthagena he was christened Ignatius. His mother died soon after and his father avoided the miseries of slavery by suicide,

When two years old Ignatius was taken to England and given as a present by his master to three maiden sisters, who having just previously read 'Don Quixote," gave their little slave the name of Sancho Though fond of reading themselves they denied that advantage to Sancho, believing that ignorance was the only security for obedience

The little Negro, however, with a strong desire for knowledge, tried to educate himself, and a sympathetic nobleman lent him books, The maiden sisters objected and said they had determined to send him to the West Indies as a slave Sancho was in dispair at this prospect and having obtained a pistol, threatened to follow the example of his father The maiden sisters, now terrified, in their turn gave up all claim to their slave, and he was taken in the service of the Duches of Montague, whom he served for many years as a butler He afterward set up a grocer's shop and by care and industry gained a decent competence. He died in December, 1780

Letters Published After Death.

Sancho corresponded with many not abilities of his day, among them Lawrence Sterne, David Garrick and the few persons who then took an interest in the abolition of the slave trade. These letters, not written for publication, were published after his death by a Miss Crewe, who gave as her reason for publishing them her desire to show that an African may possess abilities equal to an European, The world was not inattentive to the voice of obscure merit. The first and second editions of Sancho's letters produced \$2,500 to his widow and family. A fifth edition was published twenty years after his death. It is believed that the reading of these letters by Wilberforce had much to do with interesting him in his great movement leading to the abolition of the African slave trade.

MINEOLA, TEX.

Cotton is looking better, but there will not be much in this part of the country this fall.—There was a supper at the M E church, Saturday night of last week and everybody enjoyed themselves—Mrs Mary Newel, sister in-law of Hamp Williams is in the city.—Mrs. Wallace Johnson is visiting her mother at Greenville.—Chickens are worth \$3 00 per dozen. Turkeys are scarce and are worth \$6 00 to \$9 00 per dozen—The grab sale at the Big Four Store was quite a success—Floyd Frazier is employed by the street contractor and Jim Lewis sprinkles the streets

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The waiters of the Grand Central Hotel entertained the guests and friends with a grand musical and literary concert, August 16. Among the star performers were Miss Sadie Baker of New York City, rendering in a most pleasing manner her famous solos, 'Ave Maria" and "Eternity" and Jerry Anderson, the select basso of Norfolk, Va., who called forth much applause by his beautiful rendition of "A Thousand Leagues Beneath the Sea." Popular prices were charged and the affair was a success in every particular.

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We are having some warm weather here, The cotton crops are doing fine. A few more days of warm weather and farmers will have their farms in fine condition—Mrs. Jennie Whitefield is making a journey through adjoining parishes for the interest of her church which burned about two months ago. The Freeman wishes her succes in the good cause

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Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cohen, of New Orleans, La, announce the marriage of their daughter, Camelia M. to Mr. Alvah L. Bell, of Atlanta, Ga, August 12, 1905. Mr. and Mrs. Bell are at home at 239 Hilliard street, Atlanta, Ga.

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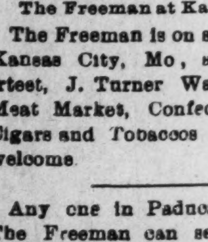

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DIVORCE LEGAL.

Frederick D. Thomas vs Mary J. Thomas	State of Indiana, Marion Co., ss: in the Circuit Court of Marion county In the State of Indiana. No 14306 Complaint Divorce.

BE IT KNOWN, That on the 15th day of Aug. 1905 the above named plaintiff, by his attorney, filed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court of Marion county, in the state of Indiana, his complaint against the above named defendant Mary J. Thomas and the said plaintiff having also filed in said clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person showing that said defendant Mary J. Thomas is not a resident of the state of Indiana and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 12th day of October, 1905.

NOW, THEREFORE, by order of said court, said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against her and that unless she appear and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 12th day of Oct. 1905, the same being the 10th judicial day of a term of said court, to be begun and held at the court house in the city of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in Oct 1905 said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged will be heard and determined in her absence.

WM. E. DAVIS, Clerk.
J. H. LOTT, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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LOSS OF SUMMER RESORTS.

At a summer resort one summer a crew of thirty waiters was retained in anticipation of business which was expected early in July. The hotel opened the first week in June. Few people came until after the 10th of July, in the meanwhile the waiters had to remain in idleness, doing nothing practically but eat, sleep, go swimming, row on the lake, fish and like amusements to pass the time. When the crowd began to arrive at the hotel in the middle of July the waiters began to get restless. Soon they began to go in twos and threes—going to the city. The manager came out one day and inquired "why so many men were going away just at the time when he needed them most" When informed that they were tired of the quiet and monotony of the place and dissatisfied were going back to the city he declared then and there that he would never bring another colored waiter from the city, and ever since, some six years and more, he has had girls to wait on the tables. He could not understand how a man could have such little foresight and little interest in the welfare of the hotel company. This is only one of the many ways in which positions have been lost through abuse of the unthoughtful and careless.

Another case where small pox broke out among the waiters in their quarters, not one has since been engaged at a very large summer hotel in northern Ohio—the Victory at Put-in-Bay.

Other places lost through gambling, whisky selling and fighting, and in a general bad conduct. These are some of the evils which we must stop and correct if we want to regain and retain our positions. Already the Japanese are in the field of waiting. Two hotels in Minneapolis employ them on small scale Other hotels in Chicago are trying to arrange to get their service. They make splendid servants. They are quiet and conduct themselves commendably.

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THE JEW AND THE EGG.

A story is told of a Jew who conducted a chicken farm, and brought his fresh eggs into the city certain days of the week and sold them to regular customers among the leading saloon keepers. On one occasion when delivering eggs at a bar of the fashionable type, where only the freshest variety would suit, he discovered to his surprise that he had twenty-five eggs instead of two dozen. After counting out two dozen to the bartender he placed one back in his basket. The bar man was surprised, and remarked that he had been a good customer, and thought it was not fair to take that one egg all the way home again. "You might as well give it to me," he said to the Jew, but no, the Jew was firm. "You see my vife tinks she neber makes a mistake, and I vant to take dis egg back to her and show her der mistake—I vould not tink of selling dat egg." After a bit of argument to no avail, the bartender offered to exchange a drink for the egg. "No, I vont part wit der egg" "But, my friend, you can tell your wife all about it, besides you can tell her that you had a drink on her to-day; that will be a good joke," said the bartender. "Vell, since dat is true, I believe I vill take a drink on her," and with this he placed the egg on the counter. "Now, what are you going to have?" inquired the bartender. The Jew, realizing his skill for the best of every bargain, rubbed his hands together, and smiled as he looked straight into the eyes of the bartender, "Vell, you know I never could drink anything but a sherry and egg" With this the bartender collapsed.

THOMAS H FRAME,
Headwaiter of the Knutsford, Salt Lake City, Utah.

LOOKING BACKWARD.

If any one doubts that the colored waiter has retrogressed in the last ten or twelve years instead of progressed along the lines of work in first class hotels let him look over the conditions in Chicago to-day; compare it with ten or twelve years ago. You will note that the old Commercial hotel and the old Tremont hotel are things of historic remembrances The Richelieu, on Michigan avenue, and the Imperial hotel, on Twelfth street, are both things of the past. The Grand Pacific has been reduced to one-third its original size. It employes white help throughout, and is considered one of the leading hotels of that city. The Great Northern and McCoy's hotel and the new Kaiserhof are hotels of the first type and class—these three and the fine residental hotel at Twenty-second street and Michigan avenue—the Lexington, the Victoria and the famous old Leland hotel, now the Stratford, the Briggs House, together with the Sherman and many others have passed over to the white waiter or waitress. The one remaining hotel down town still employing colored waiters is the Palmer House. The Auditorium Hotel put all the colored waiters out and closed the main room on the tenth floor for nearly a year. They finally restored colored waiters to the restaurant on the main floor, corner Congress and Michigan avenue. The Wellington and the Annex No. 1 and No 2 both employ white men since they opened. All the bakery lunch rooms now belonging to the Kohlsaat Company employ waitresses, and every one who reads The Freeman will recall the strike of two years ago, at the conclusion of which the colored waiter lost all the remaining hope of work in bakery lunch rooms. The only hotels of importance now employing colored waiters is found in the outlying districts. The Chicago Beach, the Hyde Park, the Windermere, the Holland, the Del Parado and the Vendome hotels in the Hyde Park district are the only hotels in this great city for colored waiters. They are all family hotels, but good ones.

THE "CHANING" WAITER.

The field for colored waiters in Salt Lake, I will admit, is a good one, yet I would not advise boys having good places in the East to leave and come so far for the same wages. That is a mistake our boys make, "changing" so often for the same money, and probably worse themselves. My motto is, "stick to the bridge that is at the present carrying you across." Winter time is coming and Salt Lake is not a bed of spring roses. Don't move now if you have a job, wait until spring time

THOS. H. FRAME,
Headwaiter of the Knutsford.

COLUMBIA, TENN.

The Maury County Colored Fair will be held in this city Sept. 18-19 immediately after the Tennessee State Fair is held, which will be Sept. 12-16. This fair will be the greatest colored fair that has ever been held in Columbia. Elaborate preparations are now being made for the occasion. Heretofore the colored fairs that have been held in Columbia have never amounted to very much, but this one will be conducted on a larger and broader scale. The fair will have the same concessions as the white fair—such as high diving, balloon ascensions and numerous other attractions, as stated before in The Freeman Dr. T. W. Stephens is the promoter. The fair is intended to get our people together so as to put certain measures before them as to bettering their conditions. The management proposes to furnish an up-to-date entertainment, clean and free from all objectionable features Prof. Booker T. Washington will likely be here on that occasion. Robert Grissom, who conducts a restaurant on Main street, had a severe stroke of paralysis last Saturday, and at this writing is in a very critical condition. Rev. W. H. Wilson of Nashville was mingling among friends last Wednesday —Frank Frierson has returned to the city.—Mrs. Lucile Stockard has returned from a visit in Birmingham, Ala. Dr. T. W. Stephens is in Richmond, Va., this week attending the National Medical Association.—Miss Maggie E Kelly has returned from Nashville, where she has been attending the Fisk University summer school. An ice cream supper was given at the school house of Mr Mack Webster on Friday night.—Master Thomas Merrill and Mr. McKissick were in Pulaski on Sunday Mrs. Emma Marshall spent a few days in Nashville last week.—Mrs. Eddie Staten will teach at the Theta school this year.

HE WHO DOUBTS HIMSELF.

"Distrust that man who tells you to distrust,
He takes the measure of his own small soul,
And thinks the world no larger. He who prates
Of human nature's baseness and deceit
Looks in the mirror of his heart and see
His kind therein reflected. Or perchance
The honeyed wine of life was turned to gall
By sorrow's hand, which brimed his cup with tears,
And made all things seem bitter to his taste,
Give him compassion. Be not afraid
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WANAMAKER-WASHINGTON.

From time to time we have indulged the fond hope that the race bogie had been viewed in all its various forms; that the extremest demands of the South had been made, and that the Northern press had reached its limit of obeisance to our Bourbon element. But this hope is again dispelled by the discussion of the Wanamaker dinner through the metropolitan press. The principal reason assigned for the feeling of offense about that Roosevelt dinner was said to lie in the fact that the President, being the representative of all the people, had no moral right to do a thing that would be particularly offensive to the white population of a large section of the country, and that, by so doing, he had shown himself unfriendly to them and unworthy of the exalted office which he held.

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But now come the Birmingham News, the Atlanta Constitution and, we regret to say, the Indianapolis News, tacking in another direction and admitting the right (in the abstract) of Mr. Wanamaker inviting to his table whom he pleases and Mr. Washington, as an individual, the right to accept or decline these invitations. Now, they say, Mr. Washington is the recognized leader of his race, and as the head of Tuskegee Institute is a public personage. Then this trio join in the senseless twaddle that such action, on the part of Mr. Washington, will "incite the ignorant millions to social efforts that mean confusion." We would not have construed this to mean that these "ignorant millions" might now be emboldened to invite themselves to the table of others had not the News made a comparison of the "hardworking ass" in Esop's fable that tried to take the place of the lap-dog in the dining room.

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Now, does any sensible person believe that such a result is at all likely to follow this Wanamaker dinner? Such a thing is nothing short of nonsense. We believe that the two Southern papers took a much broader view of the matter, and only meant to convey their believe that this social recognition by Mr. Wanamaker will cause other colored people to press in the direction of the manhood rights that are being denied by an inhuman and unchristian race prejudice. But we do not think so. We do believe, however, that for these they will always contend. For example, they will never submit without a feeling of protest to election laws, however cunningly devised, that rob them of citizenship solely on the ground of color. They will never willingly pay a first-class fare for the privilege of riding in one end of a smoking car. They will never be willing for anything that counts the good and bad in the same class. They will never be willing to admit the Southern dogma that "the worst white person is a thousand times better than the best Negro." All this will not be changed even if Mr. Washington should carry his lunch-box every time he makes a trip North.

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The contention in this whole matter springs from the fact that the white man has an exaggerated notion of his own importance and of the supposed esteem in which he is held by his colored brother. It is not too much to assume that the most measely white man would believe that he would confer an honor on Mr. Washington by inviting him to dine with him, and that Mr. Washington, on the other hand, would feel highly honored in accepting the invitation. The more ordinary the man, the more likely that this be true. The higher the scale of the white man, the less likely would this be true. Such a man would leave color out of the question entirely, and by the act would think of himself as giving only a deserved recognition to proven worth. There is no danger of the colored people mistaking this meaning. Many less worthy than Mr. Washington have accepted and declined such invitations. There is no greater fallacy than the belief that all colored people are hankering for "social equality."

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This meddlesomeness in the private affairs of an individual simply because of his color, is only another proof that the South is using its every effort to strip the colored man of every right which God and the nation have given him, and that it will be satisfied with nothing short of making the race a beast of burden. This is shown by the remark of Thomas Dixon, who says that there is nothing a Southerner dislikes so much as an educated Negro. However good the intentions of our Northern press, it is aiding this effort on the part of the South when it sympathizes with this "sane and sober" meddlesomeness of the Southern press. Have they not already nullified the Constitutional amendments, and do they not send men to Congress with a mere handful of votes? What move has the South ever made favoring the common, manhood rights of the Freedmen? Has it not been clearly shown that concession after concession does not satisfy? It is evidently reaching the limit when, with lynx-eyes, it follows a colored man into the North and questions the right propriety, or wisdom of his accepting invitations that would be extended to but few of heir own number.

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But this Wanamaker-Washington stew and the feigned solicitude for the welfare of the colored people lest Mr. Washington, by such acts, would mislead them—what does it really say? It says this: "We have always insisted that all Negroes are inferior to all white people. We Southern white superiors have made an unwritten law that nothing shall be done to cast any doubt on the righteousness of this law. We have pushed our conquests into the North and the West until this just law covers the length and breadth of this, our uncommon country. But, notwithstanding our success in spreading this divine law, there are to be found some, even of prominence, who are yet unbelievers. It now becomes your duty, as our inferiors, to upbraid all these unbelievers who would transgress this law which was enacted for the good of all Negroes. If any of your number become prominent, and any of our infidels should invite them to dine, resent the insult to our divine law and thereby show yourselves worthy of the treatment we have always given you. All this we ask for the welfare of your fathers and your sons. Amen!"

"A GOOD CHRISTIAN."

The Japanese wanted to hold sessions of the Peace Conference on Sunday. No day is too holy for making peace to stop the killing of men. But Mr. Witte does not agree with this. He replied to this proposal by saying that he was a good Christian and was, therefore, unwilling to hold Sunday sessions.

This leads us to ask—How many different kinds of Christians are there? Are not all Christians good Christians? If one is not a good Christian, is he a Christian at all? Can a man be a bad Christian? Now, if there are both good Christians and bad Christians, which possesses the more merit—a bad Christian or a good man who is not a Christian at all?

It seems that a great deal of helpful thinking might be done right around this point. The Anglo-Saxon is a Christian race and this is a Christian country, so it is claimed. Prof. Kelly Miller has stung this race with the assertion that "it is the most arrogant, rapacious and intolerant that the world has ever seen." Could such a charge be even made against a race entitled to be called Christian? As to our own country we find the corporation that stands charged with being the most heartless and soulless organization on earth having at its head men who call themselves Christians. Mr. Roosevelt, the most fearless president we have had since Andrew Jackson, has not yet succeeded in curbing any of the trusts that are said to threaten the very life of the nation. A Christian Congress was deaf to his appeal to curb these Christian trusts. The church spires stand everywhere, but the only thing that these churches seem willing to fight is Sunday base ball. In fact, there are ew evils in which Christians do not engage in or apologize for. These Christians are more susceptable to the nonsense of race hate than those they call "heathen" and "barbarians."

Now, our contention is that those who go under the name of "Christians" are directly responsible for every evil and wrong that weighs upon us. Christians do not support bad things—the "Christians" who support these things are not Christians at all. Our religion seems to have been almost completely lost in form and ceremony. It does not seem to have occurred to us that the church record cannot make a man a Christian; that there can be no substitute for the Golden Rule; and that we cannot follow Christ without obeying his precepts.

THE FOOL'S PRAYER.

The royal feast was done; the king
Sought some new sport to banish care,
And to his jester cried, "Sir Fool,
Kneel down and make for us a prayer."

The jester doffed his cap and bells,
And stood the mocking court before;
They could not see the bitter smile
Behind the painted grin he wore.

He bowed his head and bent his knee
Upon the monarch's silken stool;
His pleading voice arose: "O Lord,
Be merciful to me, a fool!

"No pity, Lord, could change the heart
From red with wrong to white as wool;
The rod must heal the sin; but, Lord,
Be merciful to me, a fool!

"'Tis not by guilt the onward sweep
Of truth and right, O Lord, we stay;
'Tis by our follies that so long
We hold the earth from heaven away.

"These clumsy feet, still in the mire,
Go crushing blossoms without end,
These hard, well-meaning hands are thrust
Among the heartstrings of a friend.

"The ill-timed truth we might have kept,
Who knows how sharp it pierced and stung?
The word we had not sense to say—
Who knows how grandly it had sung?

"Our faults no tenderness should ask,
The chastening stripes must cleanse them all;
But for our blunders—oh! in shame
Before the eyes of heaven we fall.

"Earth bears no balsam for mistakes,
Then crown the knave and scourge the tool
That did his will; but thou, O Lord,
Be merciful to me, a fool!"

The room was hushed; in silence rose
The king, and sought his garden cool,
And walked apart, and murmured low,
"Be merciful to me, a fool."

—Edward Rowland Hill.

END OF THE WAR.

At this writing the one paramount subject in all civilized parts of the world is that of the termination of the Russian-Japanese war. For the past two weeks Portsmouth has been the center of interest. Only those directly in contact with the situation know the nervous moments that have passed and how the fate of thousands of lives trembled in the balance. But, through the efforts of President Roosevelt, these have fallen on the side of life and peace. This happy result is without doubt the most signal victory ever achieved by any single individual in history. No one less strong and fearless could have brought about such a result. Certainly no other public man known was so well balanced in character and temperament for the work which the President took up and carried to a successful conculsion. Its accomplishment puts him at once at the head of all rulers.

That the result of this diplomatic struggle is far different from what was expected will be admitted by all. We believe the result to have given less than Japan and her friends had a right to expect, and less than Japan deserved. But we shall see later. There is already a hint of a secret understanding that there is a secret agreement behind that which shows on the surface. There will be little surprise if it is ultimately found, when the treaty of peace is completed, that Russia's wounded vanity has been permitted to assume the appearance of a great victory, while the facts will tell a different story. But, whatever the final settlement, the facts must remain that Russia has been as soundly thrashed as was ever an unruly school boy, and she has to-day much less of everything than she had before beginning the war, while Japan has much more. Japan takes her place to-day as one of the first rate powers of the world, while Russia must proceed to gather the fragments and devise ways and means of regaining her lost prestige.

Not long since there was a musical contest in an Iowa city. The contestants played behind a curtain so that there could be no favoritism shown. Judgment was rendered. Lo, and behold! It was the colored girl who won the prize. Then they reconsidered, and the prize was awarded to another. Now, what did that little prize amount to when compared to the satisfaction which came from the fact that she had won? The victory was hers and she knew it, and no action afterward could take it from her. But what of a weasel-souled people who would be guilty of so small an act? Fie on such superiority!

It is reported from Seattle, Wash., that all orders for flour shipments to Hong Kong have been cancelled because of the Chinese boycot on American products. We also hear that Germany is constructing a high tariff wall for the purpose of keeping out American products. Just a little more of this and the American people will begin to learn that benefits must be mutual if they are to be permanent.

A watermelon was the cause of a free-for-all fight and cutting scrape at Vincennes, Ind., one day last week. One man was said to be fatally injured. We know what you who read this will think, but you are entirely mistaken. They were not.

We will one day stop looking for new methods by which to solve all of our social problems and try the Golden Rule method instead. Until this be done we cannot expect a condition that does not rest on error and result in confusion.

Last week Roosevelt shook the Mikado, pulled the whiskers of the Czar and went to the bottom of the sea in a submarine boat. These things, added to his regular work, was just enough to give him a good appetite.

Judging from the agony which Mr. Washington's dinners cause the South we are not so certain but that he could be prohibited from accepting these invitations on the ground of "cruelty to animals."

"Be good servants and obey your masters." When we think of the probable destination of those preachers of fifty years ago who talked thus to the slaves we always feel sorry for the Devil.

Which is the greater evidence of a high state of civilization—the battleship and the palace or a community of humble homes where the inhabitants practice the Golden Rule?

We should like to hear Rev. Dixon of Virginia and Rev. Stagg of Alabama pray, It would be interesting to hear what they would say.

An ordinary individual wearing a plug hat and a Prince Albert coat always brings to mind the jackass that liked to wear the lion skin.

A superiority that rests on dogma only is not entitled to much respect even from those who claim to possess it.

The world is not injured as much by adulterated foods as it is by adulterated Christianity.

Nothing can save a man from himself. He must be his own savior,

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON AND THE NEGRO.

SOME DANGEROUS ASPECTS OF THE WORK OF TUSKEGEE.

BY THOMAS DIXON, JR., AUTHOR OF THE LEOPARD'S SPOTS.

(Continued from last week.)

I repeat, education is the development of that which is. Behold the man whom the rags of slavery once concealed—nine millions strong! This creature, with a racial record of four thousand years of incapacity, half-child, half-animal, the sport of impulse, whim and conceit, pleased with a rattle, tickled with a straw, a being who, left to his will, roams at night and sleeps in the day, whose native tongue has framed no word of love, whose passions once aroused are as the tiger's—equality is the law of our life!—when he is educated and ceases to fill his useful spere as servant and peasant, what are you going to do with him?

The second big fact which confronts the thoughtful, patriotic American is that the greatest calamity which could possibly befall this Republic would be the corruption of our national character by the assimila tion of the Negro race. I have never seen a white man with any brains who disputes this fact. I have never seen a Negro of any capacity who did not deny it.

One thought I would burn into the soul of every young American (and who thinks of a Negro when he says "American?")—this: Our Republic is great not by reason of the amount of dirt we possess, or the size of our census roll, but because of the genius of the race of pioneer white freemen who settled this continent, dared the might of kings, and blazed the way through our wilderness for the trembling feet of liberty.

A distinguished Negro college professor recently expressed himself as to the future American in one of our great periodicals as follows:

"All race prejudice will be eradicated. Physically, the new race will be much the stronger. It will be endowed with a higher intelligence and clearer conception of God than the whites of the West have ever had. It will be much less material than the American white of to-day. It will be especially concerned with the things of the mind, and moral excellence will become the dominant factor in the life of the new nation. The new race is to gain more from the Black element than from the White."

We have here an accurate statement of the passionate faith of ninety-nine Negroes out of every hundred. Prof. Du Bois, author of The Souls of Black Folk, undoubtedly believes this. His book is a remarkable contribution to the literature of our race problem. In it for the first time we see the naked soul of a Negro beating itself to death against the bars in which Aryan society has caged him! No white man with a soul can read this book without a tear. Mr. Charles W. Chesnutt, the Negro novelist, believes in amalgamation, for he told me so. Prof. Kelly Miller, the distinguished Negro teacher of Washington, believes it. In a recent article he declares:

"It is, of course, impossible to conceive of two races occupying the same area, speaking the same language, worshiping according to the same ritual, and endowed with the same political and civil privileges without ultimately fusing. Social equality is not an individual matter, as many contend, but is rigorously under the control of public sentiment."

I commend the solid logic of these sentences from a thoughtful Negro to the illustrious Society of Pooh-Poohs.

What is the attitude of Mr. Booker T. Washington on this vital issue? You will search his books and listen to his lectures in vain for any direct answer. Why? Because, if he dared to say what he really in his soul of souls believes, it would end his great career, both North and South. In no other way has he shown his talent as an organizer and leader of his people with such consummate skill as in the dexterity with which he has for twenty years dodged this issue, holding steadily the good-will of the Southern white man and the Northern philanthropist. He is the greatest diplomat his race has ever produced.

The trouble with Mr. Booker T. Washington's work is that he is silently preparing us for the future heaven of Amalgamation—or he is doing something equally dangerous, namely, he is attempting to build a nation inside a nation of two hostile races. In this event he is storing dynamite beneath the pathway of our children—the end at last can only be in bloodshed.

Mr. Washington is not training Negroes to take their place in any industrial system of the South in which the white man can direct or control him. He is not training his students to be servants and come at the beck and call of any man. He is training them all to be masters of men, to be independent, to own and operate their own industries, plant their own fields, buy and sell their own goods, and in every shape and form destroy the last vestige of dependence on the white man for anything

I do not say this is not laudable—I do not say that it is not noble. I only ask what will be its end for the Negro when the work is perfect? Every pupil who passes through Mr. Washington's hands ceases forever to work under a white man. Not only so, but he goes forth trained as an evangelist to preach the doctrine of separation and independence.

The Negro remains on this continent for one reason only. The Southern white man has needed his labor, and therefore has fought every suggestion of his removal. But when he refuses longer to work for the white man, then what?

Mr. Booker T. Washington says on page 65 of his book; "The Negro must live for all time beside the Southern white man."

On what sort of terms are they to live together? As banker and borrower? Hardly, if the Negro is the banker. Even now, with the white man still hugging the hoary delusion that he can't get along without the Negro, he is being forced to look to the Old World for labor. The simple truth is, the South will lag behind the world industrially in just so far as she depends on Negro labor. The idea that a white man cannot work in the fields of the South is exploded. Only one-third of the cotton crop is to-day raised by Negro labor. Even now the relations of the races, with the Negro an integral part of the white man's industrial scheme, become more and more difficult.

(Continued Next Week.)

VICKSBURG, MISs.

Sunday evening, Aug. 20 Rev. Frank Rose pronounced the words that united Mr. C. H. Russell and Miss Rosie Rannie in holy wedlock. Miss Rannie is one of Vicksburgs leading young ladies Mr. Russell is one of Vicksburgs foremost business men. He is the owner of the Jackson Road Pressing Club, and a member of the Blue Bell Quartett. We hope for the young couple a bright and prosperous future.—Mrs. Willie McFroin, while removing a pillow from her bed a few days ago, a revolver that had been placed there, fell on the floor and discharged one shot that struck her just below the right knee that inflicted a very painful wound. Her physician reports her improving.

MINOELA, TEXAS

The colored people should keep their children off the streets and don't let them be idle. Our country needs more smart boys and girls and just smart enough to attend to their own business. Mr. L. Craddock of Dalas is doing much good and stay with him boys; why not stay with men who work for your best results.—There was blood spilled on Johnson street on the 16th by George Reener.—Billy Davis was chocked by Edgar Rose on the 26th.—Cotton picking will open up at 50 cents this year.—There is a great deal of sickness and deaths here now.—The daughter of Alfred Foster was married Aug. 26th.

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Miss Laura Moss, the Hawiian prima donna, is filling engagements in the west.

Arthur Prince, manager of "Way Down in Georgia Company" is in Des Moines, Ia., visiting friends.

The Meredith Sisters sailed from London Eng., August 12, for South America, where they have been booked for several weeks.

Ray Trusty will leave the Quaker Doctor Show shortly for Philadelphia en route to Wilmington, to visit his mother. accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Etta Trusty, to spend the fall.

Notes from New Orleans Minstrels.—The boys are all looking well and send regards to all professionals. Jim wise, one of our principal comedians is resting for three or four weeks.

Laura S. Logan sends regards to Prof. Crenshaw, and Manager C. H. Douglass, of Ocmulgee Park, and says, "I get The Freeman just the same every week and would not be without it."

Walter Carter S. Frazier, J. R, Douglass Thomas Metcaff, Misses Gertrude Radden and Bertha Wilson comprising the Carolina Jubilee Singers were in Indianapolis Monday, en route to Danville, Ill. They are doing Chautaqua work.

The three Paytons, en route with Capt. W. Ament's Big Plantation Company are doing well. Mr. and Mrs. Moore are also doing well. We have a band and orchestra: 18 people under a white top; the biggest and best canvas theatre on the road. Regards to all friends.

Jones & Raymond, novelty musical artists are meeting with success on the Empire and Novelty circuit; booked solid until November 5 in Southern California. Would like to hear from "Daddy" Kirk. At Oak Park, Sacramento, Cal., this week, Novelty, Stockton, Cal., September 4 to 10.

Notes from Ocmulgee Park.—Everything is just as fine as can be and the company are all well and getting their share of encores every night. The Two Jolly Prices are moping up at every show and the whole company is said to be at the top of the list of all its kind. Our manager, Ed. C. Price is still putting on those good and funny acts that keep them all laughing from the time the curtain goes up until it falls. For a treat for the pleasure seekers Sunday, Mr. Price puts on some of his moving pictures. "The Bold Bank Robbery" and as usual they were hunting seats long before the curtain rose. Porter & Porter, Jimmie Dick and John Alexander are with us and are all doing well. Regards to all friends. The Freeman comes with all the news every week The company goes on the road, October 2, opening at Augusta, Ga., with other southern towns to follow.

Notes from Bailey & Smith.—From appearances we will have a much better show than last season. The company numbers twelve people. The following well-known artists will delight our patrons: Harry Goodman and wife, Ella Clayburn Jones, the Louisiana wonder, Miss Lucile Collins, soubret; Alle Young, "cat on the wire;" L. E. Moore, baritone; Richard Matthews, acrobat; The Bowls, Charles and Maude; Mrs. Josie Smith, treasurer, Clarence Cubitt, manager.

Vaudeville Notes from LeRoy Bland.—Blondie & Emma Thompson are at Stockton. The Hatches are at the Oberom for two weeks. Bland & Fry opened at the Oberon, August 28. McCarver, Reed & Bamboo are at the Novelty in Oakland, Rance Smith is up and around again. Harper, Desmond & Bailey have had a rupture and for the time being are apart, and Kid North is working with the ladies at the Chutes. It is hoped by their many friends that they will forgot their petty grievances, and be friends again as they were a decided hit out here. This week 'Frisco is quite rid of colored performers, they are all out on the circuit. William Baker, manager the Oberom has a good show on this week. Wells & Well opened at Santa Cruz August 21.

Notes from Dr. Ferdon's Quaker Medicine Company.—We have closed a successful seven weeks' engagement at Dubuque, Ia., and break all records for medicine shows, We played to no less than 10,000 people. The boys hated to leave as they were never treated better and made many friends, The white musicians of Dubuque and also from the Parker Amusement Company say, "You have the best band I ever heard for the number of men." Mr. T. B. Woods is master of them all in his trombone solos. To him is due the credit of this band. We are now in Freeport, Ill. where we have already started to do a good business. Earl Burton is meeting with success singing, "I Am Longing For Fou Sweetheart, Day By Day," and "When the Harvest Moon Is Shining On The River." Clarence Dotson is with us singing, "Stella" and "Seminole." Mr. Dotson does a very nice singing and dancing act and has a bright future before him. He is only fifteen years old but makes it heard for older ones tomake good. A. A. Copeland, the refined singing comedian is making them laugh with "Me and the Minstrel Band" and "You Must Think I Am Santa Claus.', Mrs. Mamie Bostwick, the wife of our orchestra leader has returned to Chicago, after an eight weeks' visit with her husband, W. G. Bostwick, L. E. Gideon is with us and doing fine. He says to his friends, "I'm on the water-wagon now and expect to stay there." Mr. William Thomas is rehearsing his new act "The Hall-room Boys," which he expects to put on assisted by George Bryant and Sydney Carter. Regards to Dr. Walton's Company.

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W. A. Mahara's Minstrels—Carlinsville, Ill., Sept. 4; Springfield, 5; Jacksonville, 6, Barry, 7; Hannibal, Mo., 8; Kirksville, 9.

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Billy Kersands' Minstrels—Wynnewood, Ind. Ter., Sept. 4; Norman, 5; Pauls Valley, 6; Holdensville, 7; Krebs, 8; South McAlister, 9.

Dr. Ferdon's Quaker Medicine Co.—Freeport, Ill., indefinite.

Al E. Holman's Serenaders—Folies, Manager—Paris, France, Aug. 1 to Sept. 30; Parisiana, Oct. 1 to 31; Nederlausch, Panoticum Amsterdam, Holland, Nov. 1 to 30.

HOW ACTORS FIGURED AT THE BUSINESS LEAGUE.

BY SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

The National Negro Business League which convened at Palm Garden, New York City, August 16, 17, and 18 was a grand success from start to finish and one long to be remembered on account of the clash which took place between theatrical people and business men. Wednesday was an eventful day. The Williams & Walker Glee Club sweetly chimed a Negro anthem by Bob Cole and Rosamond Johnson written for the opening of the first session. Thursday's session opened by Bishop Alexander Walters was a day of plenty. Though I speak in the tongue of the third person, I am coming right down to the first person singular. I am in the field to represent actors. As the special critic of the day (so the people say) I am bound to say what I please. I am not bounded on the north by politics or on the east by secret orders or on the south by southern sentiment; neither am I bounded on the west by envy or prejudice. I stand alone, I,m free. Free to see that I hit the bull's eye in my target practice, so we can all hear the bell ring.

On Wednesday evening when Dr. Booker T. Washington arose to make his speech, I moved up front where I could hear the doctrines of a man whose educational work and patronage has made him the recognized leader of his race. As a speaker Mr. Washington does not impress you by his presence or his stage craft. It is his ability alone and the convincing force of his logic that commands attention and makes him shine. There were no critical moments in his speech. If he had made an utterance I disliked I would be sure to say so. All men are subject to some criticism. William Trotter Monroe, of Boston makes a fatal mistake in his continued warfare against Mr. Washington as it will do no good except to poison the minds of the young and illiterate people of his race in New England. This I regard as a great injustice to Mr. Washington and a great drawback to the north.

During my three days' visit at the convention, several men of prominence asked me my opinion of Mr. Washington. While my opinion of the Wizard of Tuskegee is very good I believe there are few men of the race with more ability than he with perhaps less generalship. From a certain test I discover that Mr. Washington has a defect which many other prominent men have also, a technical lack of finished refinement. I did not think well of his making an address on such an occasion with his thumbs in his pants pockets. Another time while seated on the platform he had his foot up on the rail and I heard remarks about it in the audience. Mr. Washington should be very particular about the little details that count so very valuable in his life's history now and hereafter. He should be careful to greet any young man who may seek to shake his hand with a cordial aeply, "Glad to meet you sir.', This would be common courtesy for a man in his position or a breach if he fails to do it. Individually Mr. Washington impresses me very satisfactorily. The sunno smile which lighted up his coutenance when I was introduced him by Mr. Ernest Hogan, the actor, I shall not forget. I was wearing Mr. Hogan's $600 diamond horse-shoe scarf pin at the time and it might be that its lustre may have dazzled the Doctor's eyes

You see it happened like this. Ernest Hogan had invited me to be his guest Thursday and Friday. I had decided not to attend the banquet Friday evening and I left my dress suit at my home in Orange, N. J. So on Friday evening Mr, Hogan received a telegram to come and bring his Memphis Students to do a turn at the banquet hall. The telegram came from George W. Walker, of Williams & Walker, who was at the banquet. We were at Hammerstein's Roof Garden Theatre, at the time where Mr. Hogan and his students are appearing. Mr. Hogan at once gave Will Dixon, the leader car fare and sent him on with the students to the banquet. Mr. Hogan had to go home for his dress suit, so he hired a hansom cab and with his valet and myself as his guest, was driven to his Sixty-second street flat. When Hogan got dressed he found that he had left his silk hat at the theatre. We drove back for that. Leaving his valet at the theatre, Hogan and I were driven to the banquet one hour late. While at home he didn't have time to put his diamonds away and as I had left my dress suit at home he insisted that I should wear his diamond horse-shoe to the banquet and be introduced by him to Dr. Washington. When we arrived Mr. Hogan was called upon to make a speech. "There was nothing to it," it was an actor's speech pure and simple. Then the Memphis Students came on and assisted Mr, Hogan in a new coon song about chicken, with mandolin and guitar accompaniment, that set the vast audience crazy.

The greatest speaker of the convention was Dr. J. W. Bowen, of Atlanta, Ga., editor of "The Voice of the Negro," the leading colored magazine of America. Georgia, by the way brought the largest delegation of any state, among whom were Hon. H. A. Rucker, collector of internal revenue; G. M. Howell, merchant tailor; and James G. Carter, an ex commander of the league who knows how to blow his own fog horn. Lawyer A. B. Cosey, of Newark was the hero of a joke played on me while I was searching for Manager Fred R. Moore. Cosey posed as Moore; the joke was I had never seen Mr. Moore with hat off before and his bald head had caused me to pass him up for Cosey. R. W. Thompson, staff correspondent of The Freeman was another man I failed to recognize but after another careful search. I located him at supper opposite Charles W Anderson, a bigger man. Mr. Thompson, who is unassuming in manners, represents the cream of guilt edged refinement of the west. He is a much better looking man than Garfield Haywood pictures in his cartoons.

Boston men did not turn out very strong. Charles Alexander was on hand with his magazine, to which I will contribute an article in September. Two men from a Philadelphia newspaper office came over in a nervous hustle as delegates on'y to depart unnoticed. The man he so neatly advertised, people say, was the talk of the convention and has received an offer to write on a New York daily paper. Many inquiries regarding the absence of Mr. George L. Knox, publisher of The Freeman were met with the reply, 'pressing business." R M. R. Nelson was among the visitors. He was selling shares in a Cubian gold mine. Editor T. Thomas Fortune, whose hair grows gray as the New York Age grows larger, gave me a pleasant interview on business matters Just whether this affair was a business men's convention or a star actor's cotillion is pretty hard to guess. Theodore Drury, the opera singer was present and gave me a hot discussion about the valuation of his books of vocal instructions.

Ada Overton Walker, wife of the noted actor was the best dressed lady at the banquet. She wore a dark green spangled dress with ruffled lace sleeves and lace embroidery. Other attractive actresses present were Mrs. Bert Williams' Miss Marion Smart and Miss Hattie Hopkins. George W, Walker's mother and grandmother of Lawrence Kansas were also resent. Among the actors who loitered around the hall and balcony were Henry Troy, the tenor, who has just arrived from Europe to join Funny Folk Minstrels: Lawrence Chenault, Harry Burleigh, R. Henri Strange, Hurle Bavardo, Bert A. Williams, Phil R. Miller and Memphis Students. Mr. Jessie A. Shipp with whom I dined on Wednesday evening at his 134th street flat, did not attend the banquet. He said he was too busy arranging the book of "Abyssinia," the new comedy to be produced by Williams & Walker at the New York Theatre early in the season.

After the banquet, Mr. Hogan's counsellor, J. Frank Wheaton and myself were driven direct to the Hogan flat but Mr. Wheaton stayed in the cab and was driven home. The banquet supper met with some little disappointment and its management was like the courtesy which overlooked people who did not get any supper at all. It was just a little shy, The noise in the banquet hall was something fearful after the Hogan Students, which should have been last, had appeared. As a whole everybody thought the affair was the most delightful assemblage of the kind they had ever witnessed in New York.

Notes from W. A. Mahara,s Minstrels —All are well and receiving much praise from the public. George Taylor, the man from 'Bam, Morgan Prince, the old south. Tim Owsley, the eccentric comedian in monologue and Gordon C. Collins, the grotesque comedian, Arthur Wilson in the middle, is the one grand feature of the opening. Our celebrated quartet, Arthur Wilson, 1st tenor; Zeb Williams, 2nd tenor; Morgan Prince, baritone and James Pettie are taking four and five encores nightly in their act, "The Maharajah Harmony Four." Our saxaphone quartet, Charles Parker. J. Slaughter, Morgan Prince and J. Bohannon are doing fine work.

Fred Lewis with the Georgia Plantation Company writes —We expect to close our season in four weeks and go to Raleigh. N. C., our contract having been signed with Greater Smith Amusement Enterprise. Mrs Essie Lewis is considered the best female singer of illustrated songs of the present before the public. Charles Beecham is a prime favorite through the states, receiving more than his share of encores. Lyons Watkins and Wagoner are also good, clean, neat workers in their line of work, Susie Cooksey, Grace Williams, Mamie Wagoner and Nancy Alexander are talked of performers. Mr. Lewis is well pleased with his line up of performers and with his Black Prince of Ragtime, Frank Crosby as musical director. He expects big results through the South this winter.

Notes from Barkout Carnival —The company is still doing well. Lee Henderson, the funny man is bringing down the house in his bashful character. Albert Smith, the greatest knockabout tumbler of the race is still here W. McMullen joined us at Louisville, and has made quite a hit. Alex Wren the monologist is singing, "Rufus" Jasper Brown is cleaning up. Miss Julia Holland, the silver-tongued singer, is pleasing everybody with "Under the Shade of the Old Apple Tree." Mrs. Henderson, soubret is singing, "Every Little Bit Helps." Mamie and Martha Green are still cleaning up with their buck and wing dancing. Robert White, Lee Henderson and Albert Smith attended the meeting of the K. of P, at Pittsburg last week. Robert White still manages the company and is pleasing everybody. He would like to hear from Laura Logan at once.

Hot Springs, Ark., Notes of the Big Colored Carnival.—On account of a misunderstanding between the Carnival managers, the public was confronted with two carnivals on the same dates, parading morning and noon, each one trying to out do the other by making its parade the best. This brought out the most gorgeously decorated floats and vehicles that have ever been seen in Dixie King & Bush held the boards at the Opera House, playing to S. R. O. nightly. Miss Murrille Farelle scored heavily singing, 'I'm Learning Now to Love You." J. D. Williams is proving to be one of the greatest baritone singers of the day. His rendition of "A Thousand Leagues Under the Sea," is always heartily received. Huff & Joiner keep the house roaring. King & Bush invited a few of the eastern critics who are here for the benefit of the water, to overlook their new act, "A Warm Coon On A Special Train." They spoke in the highest praise of the act, on account of it being different to all other acts, such beautiful scenery, such funny dialogues and special music They claim to be the best colored act and the best equipped they had ever seen

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Mr. George Foster Peabody, a distinguished representative of the world of finance, talked interestingly on similar lines and gave some excellent advice. Attorney Wilford H. Smith, of New York, J. H. Atkins, of the same city, E. C. Brown of Newport News, Va, Charles H. Stewart, of Indianapolis, Ind., read papers on "The Negro Tenant," and Dr. J. W. E Bowen closed the evening's program with a scholarly address on "Foundation Building." One of the very ablest addresses of the evening was that of Miss Carrie W. Clifford, of Cleveland, Ohio, who is noted for her splendid work among the organizations of women in the state of Ohio. Her dramatic warning made a pronounced hit. She said:

"Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap" If the white man sows lynchings and Jim Crow cars and dis franchisement and injustice, you may be sure he will reap a bountiful harvest of them." Mrs. Clifford received an ovation.

THURSDAY WAS FIELD DAY

and the League ran the gamut of the gainfull occupations, and much valuable information was imparted Editor C. J. Perry spoke on "The Negro Publisher;" Charles T. Bass, of Sullivan, Ind, told of what he was doing in "Opera House Management;" D. Macon Webster on Business Conditions in New York;" Rev. W. F. Graham, Richmond Va, on "Insurance;" H. C. Haynes, Chicago, Ill, on "Razor Strop Manufacturing;" Mrs Emma L Pitts, Macon, Ga., on "Dressmaking and Millinery;" J. O. Diffay, Birmingham, Ala., on "Modern Barbering;" T. J. Minton, Philadelphia, on "Loan Associations;" Rev. Matthew Anderson, of the city of Brotherly Love talked of the work of the Berean Association there; Rev. W. R. Pettiford, Birmingham, Ala, W. H. Davis, of Washington, D C., on "Business Training for Business;" and many others of equal importance were presented.

MR. JOHN WANAMAKER VISITS THE LEAGUE.

The event of Friday's session was the visit of Mr. John Wanamaker, the American merchant prince. He spoke frankly and forcefully and to the point, pointing out the shortcomings of the Negro, yet declaring in sympathetic vein the warmest admiration for his aspirations and virtues. After anouncing that he came not to make a speech, but to view the assemblage so that he might form an idea from its personnel character of the men and women who were exerting themselves to bring the race to a higher plane in intellectual and commercial endeavor. Mr. Wanamaker said in part:

"You are beginning at the best time America ever had. You are at a moment of great responsibility, because the world is watching closely every step you take to measure your capacity for citizenship and for a right place in the conduct of business with other men. I want to voice a deep conviction that success or failure is not a matter of race, face or place. It is a matter of grace. The same grace of God which gives the white man a sense of what education, truth and honor does for him, that is just as much yours as if, while I speak to you, your faces should be turned white." He contended that if Negroes were being crowded out of occupations once adjudged their particular property, it is not a question of color, but that the Germans, Swiss, and native American whites have been giving more efficient service and hence were winning in the competition with the Negro, who was neglecting golden opportunities. Mr. Wanamaker's talk was listened to with many evidences of approval, and as he sat down the Chautauqua salute was given as a mark of especial appreciation.

During the day the program of papers was cleared up, and among those who appeared were T. L. Grant of South Carolina; Theophilus Bond of Arkansas; A. A. Turner of Ohio; S Laing Williams of Chicago; J A. Lankford of Washington, D. C.; Charles Banks of Mississippi; W. M Porter of Cincinnati, O.; A L. Ballard of Pittsburg, Pa.; J. W. Alexander of Ocala, Fla.; I T. Montgomery, R. C. Calhoun and others.

TO ATLANTA NEXT YEAR.

The committees were heard from, and reports of officers were brought in and adopted. Mr. J. C. Napier, from the executive committe, announced that Atlanta, Ga, had been selected as the meeting place for next year. Topeka, Kan., was a close second in the race, and may secure the League's presence two years hence. Other cities considered were Little Rock, Ark, Lexington, Ky, Cleveland, O., and Columbus, the same state. Being in the heart of the South and near the center of the Negro population of the country, the attendance in 1906 will be very likely to outstrip even the great New York meeting of this year. T. Thomas Fortune presented the report of the committee on resolutions, which declared in favor of more strenuous efforts to plant local leagues in every community, and strive for larger opportunities in business houses of all kinds for the young people who are now compelled to accept beggarly pay for hard and unsatisfactory labor. The National Negro Business League is doing a noble work in teaching the Negro masses the gospel of intelligent thrift, and the sacredness of service that makes for the happiness of humanity. Each convention of the League has been an improvement over the preceding ones. This is an indisputable evidence that the influence of the organization is cumulative and expansive. In the constantly increasing interest throughout the land and in the phenomenal multipilcation of business enterprises as a result of these yearly conferences and experience meetings, the National Negro Business League finds ample justification for its continued existence. Booker T. Washington and the same list of officers were unanimously re-elected. G M. Howell of Atlanta, becomes first vice president

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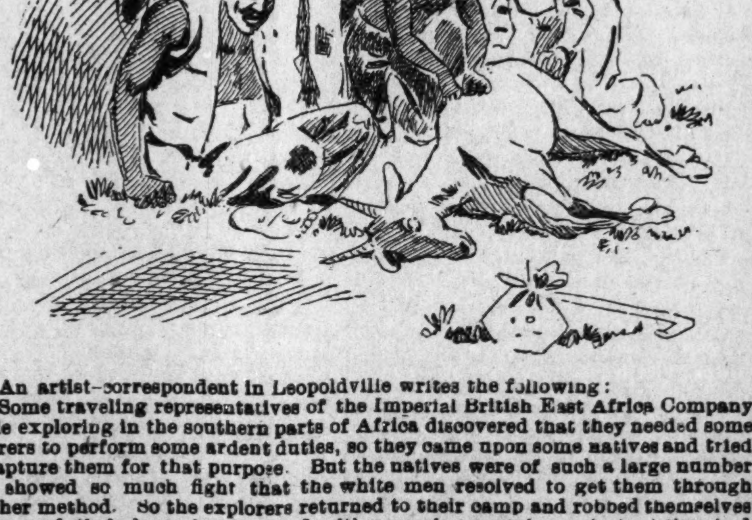

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Poor, tired hands that toiled so hard for me,
At rest before me now I see them lying.
They toiled so hard, and yet we could not see
That she was dying.

Poor rough, red hands, that drudged the livelong day,
Still busy when the midnight oil was burning;
Oft toiling on until she saw the gray
Of day returning.

If I could sit and hold those tired hands,
And feel the warm life blood within them beating,
And gaze with her across the twilight lands,
Some whispered words repeating.

I think to-night that I would love her so,
And I could tell my love to her so truly,
That e'en though tired she would not wish to go
And leave me thus unduly.

Poor tired heart that had so weary grown,
That death came all unheeded o'er it creeping;
How still it is to sit here all alone
While she is sleeping.

Dear patient heart that deemed the heavy care
Of drudging household toil its highest duty;
That laid aside its precious yearning there
Along with beauty.

Dear heart and hands, so pulseless, still and cold,
(How peacefully and dreamlessly she's sleeping!)
The spotless shroud of rest above them fold,
And leave me weeping.

—Albert Biglow Paine.

NOTICE.

A reward will be given to any person or preacher who can inform me of the address of Mrs. Hattie Thompson, my wife. I ask preachers to announce the same from their pulpits. Separated five years ago in Hot Springs. She left about two years ago for some point in California. Address Clinton Thompson, 801 Laurel street, Texarkana, Ark.

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The Freeman can be secured each week from Mr. M. D. Ferguson at the Capital Pharmacy, 929 Kansas avenue, Topeka, Kas.

Philadelphia now has a colored population of about 80,000 Of that number are 941 business and professional people who are their own bosses and doing an aggregate annual business of nearly $6,000,000

The colored citizens of New Orleans have organized to aid sanitation and are raising a fund to prosecute the work of fighting the yellow fever. They will co-operate with a similar organization of white citizens.

The National Medical Association of Physicians, Surgeons, Dentists and Pharmacists held its seventh annual session in Richmond, Va, Aug. 22 24. It is thought that this was the most important meeting of the kind ever held in this country.

Two wealthy colored men of Cincinnati are in Richmond, Va. looking over Negro industries there, with a view of opening another department store with a capital of $34,000 in Broad street, provided they can obtain a suitable site These men have traveled extensively and are much pleased with the progressive side of the Richmond people.

When a white man came to work with 12 Negroes, who were laying brick at Chapel Hill, N C, they quit, declaring they would not work with the white men. They were on a strike on the color line, as they wanted it all black without a stripe of white. Here was a unique situation, and, as the work had to go on and the larger force was necessary, the Negro union men had their way.

The only Negro graduate architect in Chicago and perhaps in the Northwest, is Mr. Wesley Farley who was born in Louisiana about forty years ago, and after coming West entered the Scranton, (Pa) International School of Science and Technology and graduated as an architect and structural engineer, and is now one of the big architects of Chicago, with steady employment and hundreds of odd jobs at his command

CITY AND SOCIETY BRIEFS.

Mrs. Katie Boyer entertained a company of girls last Saturday afternoon for her cousin Miss Bennie Smith, of Louisville.

Mrs. Marion C. Harrison was hostess to a whist party Friday night of last week for her sister, Mrs. Rochester, of Washington, D. C.

Mis Amanda Bohanon and son Irwin are here to see her daughter. Mrs Julia Welk, 525 Roanoke street, who has been ill for several weeks,

Mrs. Ida Cushinberry entertained a number of friends Friday night of last week, for her guest Miss Mamie Thompson, of Cincinnati.

Mrs. Dora Davidson, Mrs. Nellie Davidson Werks and Mrs Russell, of Hamilton, O., are the guests of Miss Malissa Davidson this week.

Preparations are being made for the annual sermon to the old folks of Alpha Home, the first Sunday in September, at Simpson Chapel. Rev. H. W. Simmons will deliver the sermon.

After a pleasant stay of two weeks as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. D D Hunter, Mrs. Harriet Spaulding and Mrs. D Owen Robinson and children left last Saturday morning for their home in Frankfort, Ky.

JOHN THOMAS DROPS DEAD.

John Thomas, better known as "Black Samson" dropped dead in a room on West Washington street Monday, while trying to lift a bag of waste paper. For twenty years he had been giving exhibitions of his great strength breaking iron bars across his knees, splitting huge stones with his head and lifting horses, buggies and other heavy objects clear of the ground. He was said to be the strongest man in the west. For many years he traveled with different shows and made a good salary. Recently he has worked as a laborer

The last exhibition of his strength which he gave was several weeks ago, at which time he stood before an audience in a house at Capitol avenue and Merrill street and, placing a large rock on his head, stood unflinching while another man shattered the rock to pieces with a blow from a heavy sledge hammer. At the time of his death he was engaged in carrying waste paper. Deputy Coroner Robertson held the autopsy and pronounced the death due to hardening of the arteries. The condition of the arteries, it is thought, was due to the overexertion to which Thomas was subjected while giving his exhibitions.

U, B. F, and S M. T. Annual Meeting.

The State Grand Lodge, United Brothers of Friendship, and State Grand Temple, Sisters of the Mysterious Ten, met at Jeffersonville, Ind., last week, adjourning to meet next year at Mitchell, Ind. There was a rally at the park opened this summer by the United States Negro Enterprise Association. The order reported 14 079 members in the state. The following officers were elected: State Grand Lodge U. B. F.—Grand master, James E Green, Evansville; deputy grand master, Henry Ferguson, Indianapolis; grand secretary, O A. Butler, Richmond; grand treasurer, James H, Frey Evansville; representatives to the National Grand Lodge, Sandford Wharton Evansville, and Bert Alexander, New Albany. State Grand Temple, S. M. T.—Grand princess, Ada Perry, Evansville; deputy princess, Thersia Finley, Indianapolis; grand financial secretary, Ella Faison, Indianapolis; recording secretary, Belle Kennedy, Indianapolis; grand treasurer, Anna B. Jenkins, Richmond; C. T. B., Maria Cheatman, Evansville.

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BIG BAND AT STATE FAIR.

For several years the Indiana State Fair has had as a strong feature one of the big band organizations for a series of concerts, and thousands of peeple heard the programs. A new band is coming to the State Fair during the week of September 11 and it will give four popular concerts at the grand stand. The bandmaster is J. S. Duss, who has suddenly leaped into the place of one of the great conductors of America, and he has a band of about fifty men. Duss is a millionaire, who directs his own band chiefly because of his love of the work. He has had an uncommon career. Early in his youth he went to Economy, Penn., the famous communistic town near Pittsburg, and spent several years with the Harmony Society there, as the mutual ownership organization was called He later went to college, was a breeder of fine cattle in Nebraska, and went back to the peculiar colony in Pennsylvania.

When thirty years old he had become a trustee of the colony, which was gradually becoming extinct because of its stringent laws He rose to the head of the colony and soon straightened out the difficulties of a savings bank in the organization, paying 3,500 depositors in full. He also saw that the colony's debts, amounting to $1,500,00 were paid in full. He went through eight years of litigation in the courts over the property of the colony and finally won. Then he sold out his holdings and turned his attention to organizing one of the greatest bands America ever heard. The programs at the State Fair will be made up of popular music.

NATCHEZ, MISS.

The Bluff City is undergoing a season of extreme dullness from both a social and business point of view. Yellow fever at New Orleans and other southern points makes all business dull. Natchez, like other southern cities, is taking extra precautions to prevent the "yellow peril" from entering her gates. The call for volunteer guards has been quickly responded to by both white and colored citizens. The stranger from without our gates must stop at the detention camp, near Concord Park, and there present a clean bill of health before entering. Edgar Simmons and another guard on quarantine post No. 10 arrested a man, a few nights since, for discharging fire arms in the vicinity of their post and very promptly turned him over to the police.—Dr. A. W. Dumas has just had completed a beautiful imitation stone fence in front of his Pine street residence. It is indeed a work of art, and reflects much credit on the builders, Messrs. Duvernay, Lumbar and W. W. Pulley. We regret to say that Mr. Pulley leaves to-day, accompanied by his family and a few friends, for Chicago, Ill. Mr. Pulley is an excellent brick mason and plasterer and numbers his friends by the score in this his native city.—Mr. Malcom New, a prominent minstrel man, once with the Rabbitt's Foot Comedy Company, sends greetings to his friends in the North, and says "long live The Freeman."

CLARKSVILLE, TENN.

Clarksville will have a colored steam laundry in the near future, so we are informed by those who has the management in charge. This is a great undertaking which will call for an outlay of a large sum of money, and we should see to it that the gentlemen and ladies of Clarksville who has their work done in a laundry do not pass them by as it will take our hearty co-operation to place this enterprise on a paying basis. So we shall expect your aid. Let us help one another in these enterprises, and the lesson taught concerning the breaking of the several sticks in childhood will be brought to bear; practice first, preach second.

We are calling for volunteers to help work in the interest of the repeal of the law prohibiting Negro militia company in the State Who will come? All nations that have risen to eminence of a marked degree was shown by the sword, and a Negro milita company in old Tennessee would much improve the condition of the Negro in the State.

—Great Contest—

for September begun. Handsome prizes will be given to the most popular lady and gentleman in town. Eeach and every one is entitled to vote and as often as you like. Extra ballots can be secured at Central Drug Company and other places Contest will begin September 1st. Votes will be sold at a penny a piece out of the paper—every one securing a paper gets one. Get ready to help some young lady and gentleman win. As many as want to can enter match for prizes. Particulars in next issue.

Rev. J. C. Jones, pastor of C. M. E church, will have musical entertainment at the church, and contest in September. Prize one hundred bushels of coal. A contestant from each of the colored churches will participate. The one selling the largest number of tickets over $15 00 will receive the prize. This prize is worth working for as winter is near and coal will be needed. Should you win the prize and don't need the coal you can sell it. So start to work to win. Should you not win the prize you have aided a great cause.

—Amusements—

Miss Alice Poudy gave an entertainment at her home on South First street Monday night. Ices and fruits were served on the lawn. Everybody who attended enjoyed themself. Music was furnished by Mr. and Mrs. Merrett, who play nothing but late pieces. Dancing and harmless games were indulged

The skating rink at corner of First and Franklin streets was largely attended Monday night.

Mrs. Norman Rumbro gave a picnic last week for the benefit of her church.

—An Enjoyable Affair—

On Tuesday evening last the Maple Leaf Club entertained a large number of friends at the residence of Mr. and Mrs Louis Ferguson on Second street. The evening was pleasantly spent in games and music by the large number present. Music was furnished by D. B. Rice's orchestra.

—A Pleasant Surprise Party—

The visitors and members of the Maple Leaf Club were pleasantly entertained at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. William Barksdale on Franklin street August 10 The event was a complete surprise tendered by the young society men of the city. The feature of the evening was dancing. Music was furnished by D B. Rice's orchestra. Ices and fruits were served. The hostess, Miss Janie Barksdale in her own way makes a charming hostess.

—Washington Dinner—

Booker T. Washington's dinner with Wanamaker has brought much comment from the Southern press. Wanamaker generally picks his guest to dine with him, and Washington knows this full well is why he accepts, which goes to show that the better class of the American people will never shut the door of hope in the Negro's face. Do right and you can follow Booker, Bruce and Boyd, whose friends are numbered among the wealthiest of the American people regardless to race or color. Booker is the recognized leader of the Negro race in America.

—Personal—

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Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Green, Mr. H. L Moody and Master J. J. Allen of Palmyra were house guests of Mr. and Mrs Peter Cobb the past week

Misses Stella, Irena and Norva Majors of Hopkinsville are visiting their uncle, Mr. N. S. Dabney, one of the city mail carriers.

Miss Batts, who has been spending sometime visiting Miss Alice Poudy of South First street, has returned home.

Wm Peyton spent Sunday in Louisville, Ky.

Mrs. Marella Daniel spent Sunday in Hopkinsville.

Miss Ruby Allen spent Sunday in Hopkinsville.

H. C. Silby has postponed his trip South. Urgency of business has caused the change.

Elder Grafton of Humboldt, Tenn., preached for Rev. I. C. Jones last Sunday at the C. M. E. church. A large crowd was out to hear him. He preached a fine sermon. Rev. Grafton is always welcome here.

Rev. S. Myer of the A. M. E Zion church is conducting a camp meeting with much success. Everybody is invited to attend and help him gain souls for the kingdom.

Rev. Ham of Bowling Green preached here last Sunday.

PORTLAND, OREGON.

The crew of the Harriman special did not fail to loudly express their regrets at having to leave Portland so soon. It was composed of the following named gentlemen: H. B. Carter, Fred Cummings, A. Thaddeus, A. A. Hall, A. Redd, J. Allen, C. Jones, W. H. Thomas, Frank Maraman, O. Roundtree, S. Brooks, M McCain and Wilson.—Mrs. Laura Clarke Wickliffe of Chicago, mother of Mrs. Dora Newman, is now in the city.—Mrs. Roper of St. Paul, Minn, is now visiting her daughter, Mrs. Foster Cain.—The Stork will be a busy bird here this fall—Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs and Mrs Mast of San Jose have been royally entertained with lawn, house and boating parties.—Prof. M. J. Johnson, A. B, of the Agricultural and Normal University of Langston, Oklahoma, is the guest of Mrs. McAfee. Mrs. Charles Ritter gave a pleasant trolley outing in honor of Mrs. Alice Millmore of San Francisco, Mrs. Pierre of Victoria, B. C, Mrs. Proctor of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. Mackhill of Georgia—Mrs. Dr. W. A. Buckner of Chicago stopped over to enjoy the exposition while on her western tour—Miss Jennie Ward, a noted trained nurse, and sister of San Jose are guests of the Rev. and Mrs. Jackson—Mrs. Alice Millmore leaves Portland on Saturday next after an enjoyable visit to friends and exposition. Mrs. Wallace of Oakland, Cal, is a daily expected visitor. The Married Ladies' Social Club give their picnic this week.

"TAKE ONE DRINK ON ME," EX-SLAVES LAST REQUEST

According to His Wishes Three Republicans and Three Democrats Are Aged Negro's Pallbearers.

Huston Black, colored, 89 years old of Rochester, Ind, and an ex-slave, died Saturday and was buried Aug. 21 He had been hostler for prominent families until he became too feeble and since that time has been dependent upon his friends, who gave him sufficient to bear his living expenses.

His last request was that L. M. Bracket, Enoch Myers, S. N. Hoffman, president of the Rochester Bridge Company, Attorney J, H. Bibler, and Editors H. A. Barnhart of the Rochester Sentinel and Albert W. Bitters of the Rochester Republican, three Democrats and three Republicans, act as his pallbearers and that after laying him away, as he expressed it, "while they are all warm and sweatin' freely, take one more big drink, the last one for the old man."

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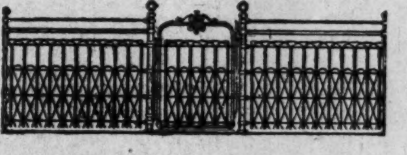

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James Golden, a prominent hotel man was in the city this week.

Miss Eliza and Susie Chambers have returned fro m Louisville.

Miss Hattie Courtney, 1106 North Missouri street, is very ill.

Miss Ethel Miller, of Sandusky, O., is visiting friends in the city.

J Edward Hall and wife, of Louisville spent Sunday in the city.

Mrs. Morris Lewis and children have returned from a visit in Kentucky.

Seneca Wade of Guithrie, Okla. is the guest of his brother, B. F. Wade

Mrs. Deloss Seat on and Miss Mayme Taylor are visiting relatives in Chicago

Miss Wilhelmina Tate, of St. Louis is visiting the family of Rev. G. H. Shaffer.

Mrs. Mary Robinson, of Shelbyville is the guest of her parents and friends this week.

William Robertson and Miss Lula Johnson were quietly married Wednes day evening.

Mrs. Thomas Quinn and Miss Sallie LaRue, of Chicago are guests of Mis Julia Quinn.

Horner Hill. of Kokomo was in the city Tuesday en route to Brazil where he will locate.

Mrs. Laura Fisher, of Lexington, Ky. is visiting her sister, Mrs. Clinton Chism, in Fayette street.

D. Owen Robinson spent a few days in the city, en route from Pittsburg to his home in Frankfort, Ky.

Mrs. M. Coleman, of Hopkinsville, Ky, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Hattie McMurray.

D. Owen Robinson, ofFrankfort, Ky,, was the guest of Dr. James Norrel, at Richmond, Ind., Tuesday.

Flanner Guild will give a children's opera, "The Man of Nod," Friday evening, September 8, at the Guild.

The ladies of Simpson Chapel will entertain at dinner to morrow, the old folks of Alpha Home and others that attend services Sunday.

A reception will be given in honor of the students of the Indiana University, Monday evening, September [illegible], at Bethel A. M E. church.

The A. V. W, Society will hold their annual services at Tabernacle Baptist church, tomorrow at 2 p. m. Rev. C. C. Wilson will conduct the services.

Mrs. James Scott and Miss Emma Claiborn, of Danville, Ky., are the guests of the family of their sister, Mrs. Mary Ross in Martindale avenue

There will be a grand concert given at Allen Chapel, September 6. "The Old Maid's Association" Eliza Bangs president; Rebecca Retrace, secretary

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Pierce announce the engagement of their neice, Frances Marie Baird to Mr. James Isaac Martin. The marriage will take place in October.

The Japs will play the Y. M. C. A. Ball Team in the near future. The Japs are experienced players, Tom Edwards is captain and Galloway is manager.

Marshall Drye, a student of Shortridge High School, is the twenty-second winner in the Sun subscription contest. He secured forty subscribers and received as a prize a bicycle.

Mrs. Charles Hillman and little son, John of Covington, Ky., who have been the guests of Mrs. Turner in Torbet street, for the past two weeks, will return home tomorrow.

The Industrial Savings and Industrial Association made its sixth annual report at Jones Tabernacle last week The report showed that the association is in good financial condition.

Mrs. Allen Simms entertained on Tuesday evening for Mrs. Furrier, of St. Louis, the guest of Mrs. James H Wells, and Mrs. Louisa Juette, of Paris, Ky, the guest of Mrs. Hagood, in Senate avenue.

The marriage of Joseph B. Waits and Miss Nettie Smith, of Lexington, Ky., next Thursday evening at 8 o'clock at the home of the groom's mother, Mrs. Lottie Vance, in Harlan street Only members of the family will be present and Rev. Reed, of Olivet Baptist church will pronounce the ceremony.

WOMAN REMEMBERS WAR WITH ENGLAND

Former Slave Talks Entertainingly Of Experiences On a Plantation Before The War.

ROSA ANN BLUE, 114 YEARS OLD. AN INMATE OF ALPHA HOME

Much interest is being taken in the base ball game which is being arranged by the Woman's Club to be played for the benefit of the Alpha Home and the Flanner Guild between the Flanner Guild and the White Stockings Ball Clubs. The game will be played at Northwestern Ball Park, Thursday Sept 7. The objects are worthy. The Alpha Home cares for aged and infirmed colored women and is dependent upon the public for its support, One of the inmates, Rosa Ann Blue, is 114 years old.

"Granny" Blue, as she is known at the Home, was born in Monroe County, North Carolina, on Bear Creek, about the year 1792. At the time of her birth she became the property of John Wooten, whose name she bore. Mrs. Blue has been married three times and was married to her first husband when she was about 22 years of age. Mrs. Blue, who is possessed of a wonderful memory, remembers a number of incidents which she is able to establish her claim to so great an age. "I can remember," she said, "how we used to hear about the war with England, but we slaves dared not to be heard talking about it and many a time I have heard my ole massa threaten to give fity lashes to the first one heard to cheep (to talk) about the war. I was almost grown at the time the war of Independence closed."

"I was married to my first husband before the first railroad went through that part of the country and helped to split the ties I can remember dates by the number of crops that were planted. I had one son who died ten crops (meaning years) before we were freed. He was firty-five years old by my master's count. At the same time I heard my master say that I was seventy five years old. It happened that a batch of slaves were about to be sold farther South and my master said, 'Rose is seventy-five and too old to do much,' but I was sold just the same, and did a heap of hard work after that. This happened about ten crops before I was freed. My mother lived to be 128 years old.

"Lincoln's death don't seem so very far back, and I was considered an old woman when he was shot. On the plantation where I was born there were 300 slaves, and I was freed about ten crops after I heard ole massa say I was seventy five. My second husband was Ned Waters and my third husband John Blue. I was always a field hand and always worked very hard."

Mrs Blue, except from a slight attack of rheumatism which makes it necessary for her to use a crutch, enjoys good health. She lost her eyesight about five years ago, but is able to find her way unassisted to any part of the building She has always smoked and seems to find much enjoyment in her pipe. She delights in meeting visitors and is a very interesting talker. She attributes her long life to her cheery disposition and boasts of the fact that she "never was fussy." From present indications Granny Blue bids fair to live several years yet and may reach the greatest age recorded in these modern times. The home is, aside from a small appropriation made by Marion County, dependent entirely upon public generosity for its support.

DANVILLE, ILL.

Mrs. L. B. Moore and daughters of Jacksonville, Ill., are visiting her neice, Mrs. Luther Johnson.—Mrs. Crump, of Augusta, Ga, is visiting Mrs. and Miss Pamplin, in Oak street.—The fat women who drilled at Allen Chapel raised $23 on the elevation of the church.—Miss Reah Bolin, of Ridgefarm is spending her vacation with her sister, Mrs. L. Davis.—Miss Georgia Lefftet, of Decatur, Ill., was the guest of Miss Blanche Woodfork last week.—Friendship Baptist church had a rally Sunday and raised $80.43—Mrs. L. Benson is out of the city on business this week. Elijah Williams, who has been ill for some time is able to be around.—Mrs Bertha Wr y and little daughter, of Rockville, Ill, are visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs Johnson in Oak street Mrs Carrie Battles is visiting in Iowa Charles Stewart has severed his connection with the Danville Union Base Ball Team.—Mrs. James Gee has moved o her former home at Hoopeston.—The rally Sunday at Allen Chapel was quite a success.—Miss Blanche Woodford entertained from 3 to 5 Thursday at her home, 1132 North Jackson street, in honor of Miss Georgia Lefftlet of Decatur. Nasturtiums and asters were used throughout the home. Those present were: Annie Vance, Claire Williams, Violet Johnson, Artie Mason, Lola Webster, Nellie Davis, Fannie Walker, Alice Elvord, Geneva Cantrell Ruth Cantrell, Havana Waldon, Eva Hoffman, Wanetta Baylies, Bertha Robinson, Geneva Robinson, Hazel Stipes, of Buxton, Ia, and Lola McGregory. Games were indulged in and dainty refreshments were served.

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Mrs. Rufus Baxter has returned from an extensive visit with relatives and friends in Batania, N. Y.—Mr. John Purdy of Buffalo, N. Y., is visiting his mother and many friends.—Miss Lillian Wickfield and company of Jamestown N. Y, spent Sunday with Misses Purdy.—The St James A. M E Church is proud of their new organist. Miss Edna Blackburn.—The famous Dixie Troubadours are filling a two week's engagement here playing to the largest crowd of the season.—Mrs. Thomas L Dixon of South Bethlehem Pa., arrived in Erie, Aug. 23 and is the guest of her sister Mrs. A. A. Scott, 322 German street to remain several weeks. Mrs. Paul W Connor, her niece gave her a very pleasant reception on Thursday evening Aug. 24th, which was enjoyed by all present. Music and singing were the special features of the evening. Elegant refreshments were served.

COLUMBIA, TENN.

It is reported that the Macedonia Public School is without a principal. It seems that the school commissioners are either unable to secure a competent person for the position or they are remaining silent. It being so near the opening of school the people are anxious to know who the principal will be. It has been rumored that the position has been tendered to Miss Ella Collins also Prof. A. T. Morral but both stated last week to the Freeman representative that they had not received a notice to that effect.—Lawyer Adams of Nashville was in the city last week on business.—Mrs. Cammack of Milwaukee, Wis. is here to spend the winter.—The City Public School will open Sept. 4th.—Mr. John Jones is ill with the fever.—Dr. T. W. Stephens has returned from Richmond, Va.—The Y. M. C. A. held another meeting at the First Baptist Church.—The Presbyterian Sunday School gave their annual picnic last Friday The handsome residence of Dr. A. T. Braxter was destroyed by fire Aug. 19th.—The I. O. I. gave a big picnic last month. The brass band from Nashville furnished the music.—Mrs. James Waters and children have returned to Nashville.—A big excursion was run from Nashville to accomodate those who wished to attend the Baptist Association.

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